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GIANT LINER'S STORMY ATLANTIC CROSSING

MANCHURIA BATTLE

JAPANESE CLAIM A ROUT

THREE-HOUR CLASH

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Harbin, Dec. 29.

Two thousand anti-Manchukuo Volunteers, commanded by General Li Hai-tsin, were routed by Japanese forces in the vicinity of Tailai, according to Japanese reports.

The extraordinary disparity between the losses alleged to have been suffered is more marked than usual.

According to the Japanese reports, the engagement betwon the rival troops lasted for three hours, in which time the Japanese suffered the loss of one man killed and one wounded.

After this, the Volunteers are said to have beat a hasty retreat having lost 123 officers and men and also fifty horses.

The battle took place near Tailai, about sixty-five miles to the south of Tsitsihar. The forces of General Li Haitsin are reported to be retreating to the north, with the Japanese in pursuit.—*Reuter.*

SOFIA CABINET RESIGNS

POLITICAL CRISIS NOT FEARED

Sofia, Dec. 28.

Bulgaria's political problems have come to a head and the Cabinet have tendered their resignations.

It is, however, believed that all difficulties will be smoothed out and a crisis as a result of the change of regime is not anticipated.

King Boris his consulted all the party leaders and it is generally expected that M. Mouchanoff will be asked to-morrow to undertake the task of forming a new Cabinet with the support of those groups which formed the retiring government.—*Reuter.*

AIDING STRICKEN PEOPLES

NEW CONVENTION IN FORCE

London, Dec. 28.

Twenty-seven countries have so far acceded to the Convention creating the International Relief Union.

Its object is to provide relief in money and kind and to co-ordinate relief works in respect of public misfortunes due to exceptional circumstances, the gravity of which exceeds the limits of the powers or resources of stricken people.

The Convention came into operation at Geneva yesterday. For its principal resources the Union will depend on donations, bequests and public contributions, with an initial fund of 420,000 Swiss francs contributed by States members.—*British Wireless.*

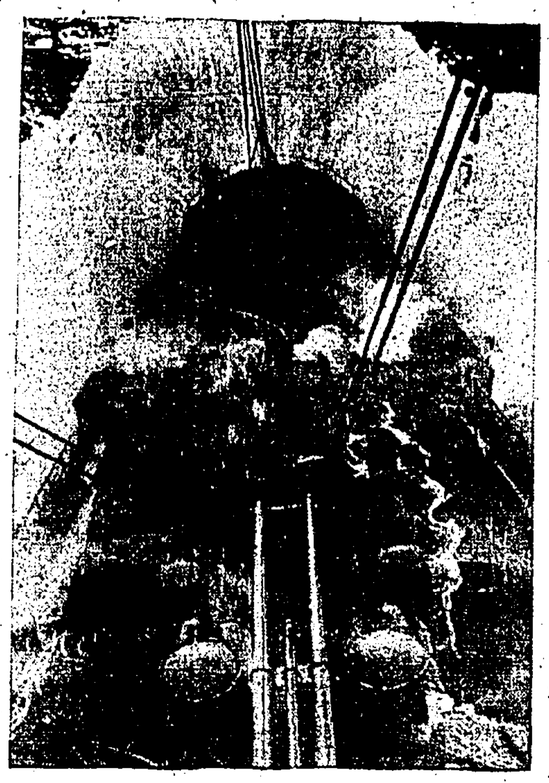
ITALIAN CLAIM HEIGHT RECORD

EXCELLENT EFFORT BY SEAPLANE

Rome, Dec. 28.

An altitude of 8,200 metres was reached to-day by a 170 h.p. Fiat seaplane. This is claimed to be a new world record for tourist seaplanes.

The international altitude record for all types of craft is held by Great Britain, Capt. Uwins having flown to a height of 18,404 metres.—*Reuter.*



A giant Atlantic liner driving into terrific seas during a gale. The Majestic, which arrived in New York yesterday after the stormiest crossing for years, suffered much minor damage in the bows and one seaman was killed.

MAJESTIC IN GALE

BULKHEAD SMASHED BY GIANT WAVE

SEAMAN KILLED

New York, Dec. 28.

The giant White Star liner Majestic sailed into New York harbour many hours late to-day after one of the roughest Atlantic crossings for several years.

Although the biggest ship in the world at present sailing the seas, the Majestic received a severe battering, and considerable minor damage was done aboard her by terrific seas.

As a result of the storm, one seaman was killed and two cooks were nearly drowned on board. A giant wave struck the liner when she was steaming into the teeth of the gale on Friday.

The wave smashed in a bulkhead, wrecked the crew's scullery and completely swamped out this part of the ship, the seaman being killed outright while the cook was rescued when on the verge of drowning.

COLLECTION FOR WIDOW.

The weather moderated later and a collection was made among the passengers, who raised over £50 for the benefit of the seaman's widow. The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. R. B. Bennett, was among those who travelled on the Majestic.—*Reuter.*

SMALL-POX CASE IN KOWLOON

SCHOOL STUDENTS TO BE VACCINATED

Following the receipt of a circular from the medical authorities by parents of children attending the Central British School asking that all children be vaccinated, a rumour became prevalent yesterday that small-pox had broken out in the peninsula.

Enquiries by a *Telegraph* representative at the Medical Department this morning elicted the information that an infant of five years had contracted small-pox and as a sister was attending the School, the circular was issued merely as a precautionary measure.

THE GREAT SLUMP

EXCHANGE CONTROL PROBLEM

ADDING TO TRADE STAGNATION

London, Dec. 28.

The damaging effect of exchange restrictions upon British trade with South America is engaging the very serious attention of British commercial circles.

Leith Ross.

A conference on the subject was held at the Board of Trade in London last week under the chairmanship of Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, chief economic adviser to the Government.

Following this conference, which was attended by representatives of commerce, industry and finance, the Association of Chambers of Commerce and the Federation of British Industries have circularised all their members with a view to ascertaining the total amount awaiting remittance from certain countries in Central and South America to the United Kingdom, but which has been held up owing to exchange control.—*Reuter.*

Suffering from internal injuries through being knocked down by a tramcar in Des Voeux Road Central, Lam Nam, aged 11, of Lan Kwai Fong, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday afternoon.

CONSULAR INVOICE PROBLEM

ATTITUDE OF THE CUSTOMS

TAKING NANKING'S ORDERS

The news from Canton that the Kwangtung Provincial Government and the Customs Offices in the province had been instructed to admit goods without consular invoices, and that the Hongkong Invoice Office would shortly cease to function, has aroused considerable comment in Hongkong.

A *Telegraph* representative who visited the Hongkong Invoice Office this morning was informed that the acting head of the Office was in Canton at present, having gone there last night for the purpose of discussing the matter with the Canton authorities. No official notification on the subject had been received, it was further stated.

HONGKONG POSITION.

In the meantime, it is stated that the Customs offices for Kowloon, Canton and Swatow have intimated that they must obey the orders of the Nanking Government and insist on consular invoices, and that the Hongkong Invoice Office has notified local merchants to this effect.

Accordingly, Hongkong shippers are continuing to comply with the invoice regulations in regard to goods consigned for Canton.

The Hongkong Office was opened as recently as December 1st, Mr. Y. H. Wen taking over the duties of Invoice Officer. He has, however, been absent from the Colony for some considerable time now.

TO SUCCEED LI CHAI-SUM

GEN. CHU PEI-TEH APPOINTED

Nanking, Dec. 28.

The National Government this morning announced the appointment of General Chu Pei-teh to succeed Marshal Li Chai-sum as Director of Military Training in Nanking. Marshal Li was formerly military ruler of Kwangtung and Kwangsi and returned to Hongkong some time ago after resigning all his Nanking posts.

The Government has also appointed General Tang Sang-chi, former Military Governor of Hupeh, a member of the Military Council.—*Rensha.*

NEWFOUNDLAND'S FINANCE

BRITAIN AND CANADA LENDING AID

London, Dec. 28.

Financial difficulties being experienced by the Newfoundland Government are, according to a message from St. John's being overcome with the aid of the British and Canadian Governments.

They will assist Newfoundland to meet interest payments due on January 1 by providing $1,479,000 out of approximately $2,000,000 due.—*Reuter.*

CHENG CLEMENCY PETITION

NO DECISION NOW LIKELY BEFORE THE NEW YEAR

Although a meeting of the Executive Council was held this morning no action has yet been taken regarding the petition for clemency on behalf of Cheng Kwok-yau, who is under sentence of death for the murder of George Fung.

This information was conveyed to a representative of the *Telegraph* following the meeting this morning of the Executive Council.

Ordinarily, the respite granted to Cheng pending a decision regarding the appeal to the Privy Council would have expired in mid-December. A further respite was granted, and from an authoritive source it is learnt that this will expire on either January 14 or 15.

It is not now anticipated that the Governor-in-Council will reach any decision regarding the petition until the New Year.

SOUTH AFRICA OFF GOLD STANDARD

PUZZLING MONEY SITUATION

GOVERNMENT AGAINST LINK WITH STERLING BLOC

POLITICAL FIGHT IN THE MAKING

Capetown, Dec. 29.

The bewildering money situation created by the abandonment of the gold standard is clarifying after some hours of groping in the dark.

It is anticipated that business will now rapidly adjust itself to the situation.

In the meantime, there appears to be a distinct possibility of the financial crisis being followed by a political crisis.

Mr. Tielman Roos, the Nationalist leader, made a speech at Johannesburg yesterday, virtually offering to lead an anti-government coalition.

General Smuts, in a speech at Germiston, wishing Mr. Tielman Roos luck in his campaign for rallying the Nationalists to his banner, said he thought there was at present such a combination of forces as would be capable of driving out the government.

SMUTS' CONDITION.

According to Mr. Tielman Roos, however, General Smuts, while assenting to the possibility of a combination of parties, explains that it must be on such a basis as not to impair the strength of the South African party.

It is interesting to note that while business men throughout the country interpret the Government's action in relieving the Reserve Bank of responsibility for payment of notes in gold as abandonment of the gold standard, Mr. Havenga, the Finance Minister, declines to agree with this interpretation, at least in its entirety.

"VIRTUALLY OFF".

In an interview to-day, Mr. Havenga stated that the Union was virtually off gold. The banks must quote exchange on a new basis and internal gold circulation would cease.

South Africa, he added, is really upon a regulated gold exchange basis.

Generally speaking, this appears to be a distinction without a difference. The Government, however, has decided not to link the South African pound with sterling or to devalue the currency.

FEW TRANSACTIONS.

There were very few transactions to-day and the banks adopted Saturday's gold rate. It is generally felt, however, that this will not last very long. It is believed that the South African pound will soon begin to move nearer the sterling level.

The banks are, for the time being at least, refusing to sell foreign exchange except for the smallest amounts.

Sterling gold shares advanced steadily in the market, which was busier than at any time since Britain abandoned the gold standard.

MINING SHARES DOWN.

Great interest was also displayed on the London Stock Exchange in the developments in South Africa. South African mining shares were down, but there was little selling.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

JO'BURG SENSATION.

Johannesburg, Dec. 29.

It is understood that the Chamber of Mines will no longer sell gold.

The Reserve Bank regards itself as free to sell in the world market following the Government's action, which the Rand producers contend has cancelled the agreement for the sale of gold by the Reserve Bank.

There is a possibility of a new agreement being reached whereby the supply will be continued. This has created a profound sensation here.—*Reuter.*

SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS

RUSSIAN MINISTER NOT YET APPOINTED

Nanking, Dec. 29.

It is expected that Dr. W. W. Yen, whose appointment as Chinese Minister to the Soviet Government has been approved by the State Council, will proceed to Moscow from Geneva to present his credentials after the conclusion of the work of the Committee of Nineteen which is resuming its deliberations on the Manchuria issue not later than January 16.

Dr. Yen's credentials will be sent to Geneva as soon as they have been signed by Mr. Lin Sen, the President of the State Council.

Dr. Yen will remain as chief Chinese delegate to the League Assembly.

It is disclosed that the Chinese Government have not yet received formal notification from Moscow regarding who will be appointed Soviet Minister to China.—*Reuter.*

NAZI VETERAN RESIGNS REICHSTAG

Octogenarian to Remain in Prussian Diet

Berlin, Dec. 28.

The Nazi deputy, ex-General Lietzmann, who is eighty-four years of age, has resigned his seat in the Reichstag, of which he is the senior member.

General Lietzmann will remain a member of the Nazi Party and of the Prussian Diet.—*Reuter.*

HOME RUGGER

LEICESTER JUST WIN AT HOME

London, Dec. 28.

In a keen rugger match at Leicester to-day, Leicester defeated Manchester by 9 points to 8.—*Reuter.*

Yeravda Goal at Poona, where Gandhi is still kept a prisoner. It is believed that the Government may shortly authorise his release.

GANDHI NOT TO FAST

LONG CONFERENCE AT POONA

(Our Own Correspondent).

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London, Dec. 28.

Gandhi held a three-hour conference with his advisers at Poona to-day, strong pressure being brought to bear upon him to refrain from undertaking a new fast.

It is understood that the outcome of the conference was that Gandhi agreed to postpone indefintely his threatened "fast unto death."

The Congress leader, after hearing what was being done, expressed himself satisfied for the present that everybody concerned is doing his utmost to maintain progress towards the removal of Untouchability.

FRANCO-GERMAN TRADE PACTS

TWO AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED

Paris, Dec. 28.

The texts of two Franco-German trade agreements have been published and a third is foreshadowed.

The first modifies the Convention of 1927 and its main provisions are that existing tariffs can be modified at a fortnight's notice and that the application of the most-favoured-nation clause will be restricted instead of general.

The second agreement creates a Franco-German office in Paris to settle exchange transfer difficulties.—*Reuter.*

NEW ELECTRIFIED RAILWAY

LONDON TO BRIGHTON IN AN HOUR

London, Dec. 28.

The Mayor of London and the Lady Mayoress will open the Southern Railway's new electrified line from London to Brighton on Friday.

The new service, for which luxuriously-equipped coaches have been built, will operate from Sunday. Now trains each costing £35,000 will accomplish the London-Brighton journey of fifty miles non-stop in sixty minutes.—*British Wireless.*

Residents returning by the P. and O. liner Carthage yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Collis, and Mr. Mrs. D. McFarren.

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THE WORLD OF WOMEN

FASHION NOTES.

Shoulders Must be Wide.

We are all revelling in, or, if we err towards plumpness, resigned to the new line. We know that we must be wide about the shoulders, but impossibly slim and tightly swathed as to ribs and hips. Above all, there must be no wrinkles.

Yet many women, knowing all about this, and having bought the right dresses, still fail to achieve the desired effect. The truth is that foundations now-a-days are devastatingly obtrusive if they are not carefully fitted.

No hip line, for instance, can triumphantly survive the vertical wrinkles caused by full knickers which are gathered into an elastic at the waist, nor will it hide the folds of a tired corset. A vest which fits too loosely around the ribs is no help to a well-fitted bodice and a too-roomy underslip can ruin any dress.

Importance of "Undies".

Never were underclothes more important. Fortunately there are any number of well-cut, slim-fitting garments to be had at prices to suit all purses and in materials of varying weights.

If, however, you still have some undies which are too good to cast aside but are just a trifle old-fashioned, then spend an hour or so bringing them right up to the minute.

Fit brassiere tops of lace or wool-lace to your vests. The cross-over kind are simple to make, and are very efficient. See that there is no longer any tendency to wrinkle over the ribs. Use shaped bands to circumvent ugly bulges in other garments and look to the fitting of your underslips.

If you have been indulging in wild extravagances in new frocks and a coat, do not grudge another shilling or two for a new, perfectly-fitting corselet. It need not be in the least bulky, but it is an absolute necessity if you are to do credit to your wardrobe.

By Joan Savoy

When your best man takes you to lunch and the matinee, you can be sure you are doing him proud if you are a chic study in black and white.

Nothing on earth gives a woman intriguing charm with as little effort as a black dress with just the right white touches.

Don't take the obvious collar and cuff method of getting your white touches. Everybody does that. The newest day-time things have fascinating ways of lightening their dark surfaces that are original in cut and hard to copy.

The rougher the crinkles in your black crepe dress, the surer you are of chic. And if your crinkly white trim gets more crinkles into itself by shirring, then you have nothing left to worry about.

This luncheon-matinee dress is a very crinkly black crepe, cut on moulded princess lines, with leg-o'-mutton sleeves to heighten the effect of a small waistline.

Shirred white crepe cuts an effective swath across the the neckline and shoulders, making a bateau neck and loops of white circling down around the full top of the sleeve, looping back up to meet the back of the white collar.

Three crepe buttons, outlined in small brilliants, give a new slant on button trimming this winter.

With this dress, you can wear one of the new little tricorn hats, saucy and becoming, with an eyebrow veil in an open square-meshed design.

An astrakhan trim on a light green hat makes a pleasing liaison with the dark green ensemble that is trimmed in astrakhan.

BEAUTY HINTS.

The Right Neckline.

Many a girl this year is doing mean things to her face by wearing the wrong kind of neckline—in the name of fashion.

If you have more years than you like, don't try to wear those plain round necklines that baldly lead right up to your neck, which no longer is firm, and then leave you stranded. Try a scarf of some kind, held in place by a gleaming clip.

Preferably, pick your neckline with some reference to your face, and years. For the rather fat-faced type of woman, the pointed neckline does wonders. For the slender type woman, the square cut necklines are excellent, even when they come right up to the throat. It really takes a young, baby-face to wear hard, round necklines with no trimming and the collar of the dress extending to the throat.

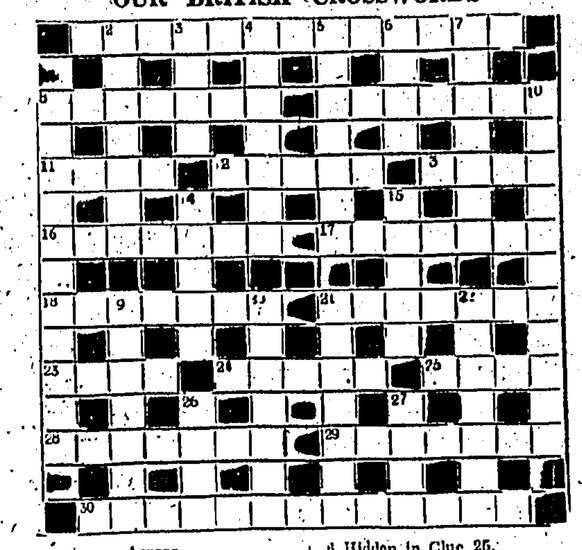
New Strapped Effects

Evenings give women a chance to play up their particularly good points. The thin-backed woman whose every vertebrae shows should forego the temptation to wear a decolletage that leaves the back bare. There are strapped effects, some of them with a centre strap running right down the back, that are much better. Too plump a woman should have the same caution.

In like manner, there are high-front neck gowns that can be vastly becoming to certain types but horrid on others. Don't try the exaggeratedly high ones or those with the wide bateau line if you aren't certain of your own type.

For daytime, the average woman looks much better with a white touch at her neck, when she wears black. Remember that the pointed white collar line is the best on the greatest number of women.—**Alicia Hart.**

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



Across

1 Carries a greeting of good-will and drastic charms (two words).
8 These may be beaten after their pile has been made.
9 Mean in character.
11 Booty certainly, but not shod.
12 Appertaining to the head of a Church.
13 Tip them to be silent.
16 Gone bad in keeping. So don't be a slave to hoarding.
17 Hurry up, my lad, for the relative.
18 Humour.
21 A gin accompaniment—not necessarily aging.
23 In these a bar is no obstacle.
24 "Ring out false pride in place and blood. The civic slander and the —." ("In Memoriam.")
25 The decision was a heroic one for the villages, parishes, and other places concerned (hidden).
28 Barren.
29 Luckily.
30 "Throw us nut—try" (anag.).

Down

2 Its point is cruel, and the blubber from the victim is only to be expected.
3 Just conceit, though quaint, of course.
4 Having a will of one's own, shall we say?
5 Strictly speaking, we all are these.
6 Hidden in Clue 25.
7 Adornments.
8 These are well known.
10 Basically.
14 Friendly with an associate.
15 Although you go astray this will take you across safely.
19 Look beneath the castle moat.
20 Put into words plainly stated.
21 This fellow is more muscle than anything—though it wouldn't seem to require much to support a mere rug.
22 Rail against.
26 This glass is more useful between windows than in them.
27 Hidden in Clue 25.

Yesterday's Solution.

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AUTOGYRO ORDERED.

FITTED WITH BRITISH ENGINES

London, Dec. 28.

Much importance is attached in aeronautical circles to a decision to place an order for an experimental autogyro machine to carry five passengers. It will be fitted with a radial engine, probably an Armstrong Siddeley 500 horse-power panther. It is estimated the machine would have a top speed of 160 m.p.h., a cruising speed of 130 and a low speed of about 20 miles.

The constructors expect the machine will be able to take off after a run of about 70 yards and will land at low speed, needing a very short run to pull up.—*British Wireless.*

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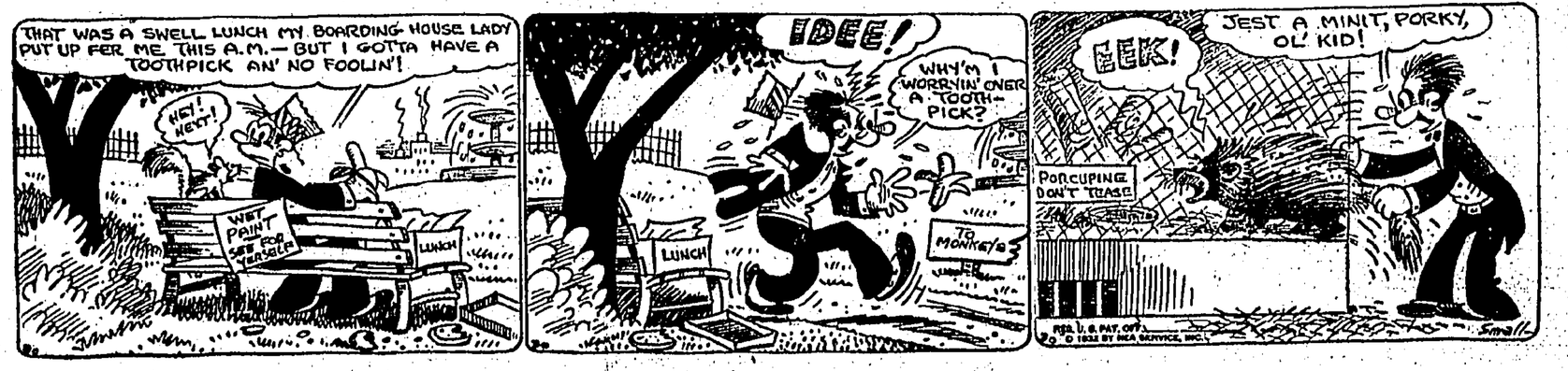

GREAT NEW MYSTERY SERIAL

"WEEK-END MURDER"

BY GABRIEL F FORBUSH

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

The story opens with a prologue in which a murder is committed by a suicidal maniac. Later he boards a train for Long Island, thinking of the pleasant week-end he is to have there. The name of the murderer is not disclosed.

The scene shifts to the Long Island home of LINDA and TOM AVERILL, married three years and much in love. The Averills have five guests for the week-end: COUSIN AMOS PEABODY, elderly, distant relative of Linda's; CAPTAIN DE VOS, handsome Belgian representing a European perfume manufacturer with whom Averill hopes to do business; MR. STATLANDER, middle-western manager of the firm Averill works for; MARVIN PRATT, former suitor of Linda's; and LIAN SHAUGHNESSEY, Irish writer on a lecture tour.

Cousin Amos immediately makes trouble. He quarrels with Shaughnessey because the Irishman holds liberal political views; plays golf with Statlander and infuriates him by criticising his game; discusses prohibition with DeVos at the Country Club and declares DEVOS is "no gentleman." It is finally agreed that Cousin Amos is to leave early the next morning.

The others go to the Country Club dance. The dance is uneventful but when the others are ready to leave Statlander cannot be found. When he finally appears it is apparent that he has been drinking. It is nearly morning when the Averills and their guests reach home.

CHAPTER XI

Tom Averill frowned. "Oh, gosh, there we go again talking about the—what did you call them?—'potential murderers'?"

"I wish I never had to see any one of them again," Linda said decidedly.

"Oh, come, Binks. It isn't as bad as that. A few hours of sleep—"

"A few hours? How you do exaggerate! It's almost daylight and we've got to get Cousin Amos off early. Early for him—that's even worse!"

"How soon? It's after 5 now."

"In about an hour. He gets up about half-past 6 or 7 anyhow and he wants to take a 7-something train. That means 6 today."

Tom whistled silently. Then he began undressing. "Binks," he said, "go to bed. I'll see the old fellow off and tell him you're all in."

"Thanks, but that wouldn't do. It's my job and I'll send him away with a smile. I wouldn't sleep anyhow, Tom. I'd have him on my mind."

"Say—here's an idea! Get out of those things and into your bathing suit. This room's an oven and a cool dip'll do you more good than lying down. If you'll fling on a few clothes and see that he gets breakfast I'll run him to the station and you can go to bed then. I doubt if anyone else shows his face before noon."

She was already scrambling into the pert little red jersey suit that made her look so boyish and slim. "I'm with you, Tommy! It's a grand idea. Think any of the others—?"

"Leave 'em out. Two's company this time and they're all asleep by now, anyhow. Come on!"

"Wait—I can't find my cap! You go on—it's here somewhere. I'll be right behind you!"

The cap was found and Linda stopped to pick up the soft, crumpled, lacey dress which still lay where she had stepped out of it on the floor. As she smoothed it out and straightened Tom's equally neglected evening clothes she felt the still, oppressive heat of the silent house brooding over her. There was always something thrilling about seeing the sun come up (she thought with a grin that she'd never admit that to the too-instructive Cousin Amos) but this morning the sensation of fresh wonder and delight was lacking. The room had actually grown hotter since Tom left. She sighed. Even getting down to the water seemed almost too much of an effort—then she stopped.

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From somewhere down the hall came a light creaking trend— the hushed sound of one who walks quietly for fear of disturbing others. It was followed by a slight click and then to her ears came distinctly the wrak-wrak-wrak of Cousin Amos' defiantly opened casement giving on the little porch. She relaxed. Evidently her cousin was already about wakened by the light and the still, heavy heat. Also evidently he did not want to disturb any of them and Linda decided to pretend she had not heard. After all, it wasn't quite 6 yet—half an hour before he should show signs of life. She would have her plunge and cool off before facing the next step. Yes, everything was quiet now. No one would hear her patter along in her little red rubber shoes.

But in the hall, she relented. Cousin Amos hadn't had much pleasure from his stay and he had so enjoyed the water yesterday! Since no one else was coming, why not at least ask him? At his room door she stopped in surprise—it was about a foot ajar. She remembered that he had not left it open during the night. Then she thought of the step she had heard in the hall. Curious he should go outside his room so early! He had his own lavatory and could have done without a tub for once in his life. If he had gone across the hall she hoped fervently he hadn't either met or disturbed Marvin or DeVos, both tired, sleepy and hot and therefore edgy after the Country Club affair. They were safely in bed by now and, she hoped, deaf to Cousin Amos' cautious, if inexplicable, rambling in the hall.

But, she wondered, had he gone back to bed or was he actully up and dressed so early? Hesitating whether to knock or not, she unintentionally pushed the door a little more widely open and could not help seeing the bed—empty, rumpled, the covers thrown back. Feeling very apologetic, she opened her lips to call him softly. Then, to her astonishment, she heard voices inside the room. Linda stood very still, puzzled. No, they were not exactly in the room. The sudden wrak-wrak-wrak of that beastly door placed them—just over the sill out on the little porch.

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Who could it be? Tom probably, smitten with the same idea and having stopped to invite Cousin Amos to join them, called in by the indignant old man to account for the noise and swing of the door. Cousin Amos, of course, would forget entirely his insistence on opening it, in spite of her express request that he should not. Well—let Tom bear the brunt of displeasure! Perhaps he could brace it somehow to stop it for the moment. A sudden appalling squeak filled her with renewed alarm lest the sound disturb Marvin Pratt or DeVos. Both of them, she knew, had had all they wanted of Cousin Amos! In fact she had promised that the Belgian, at least, should not even see again the man who had so affronted him. She pulled the room door gently to until it all but latched and made her escape unheard, running downstairs rather amused than otherwise at Tom's plight.

But the door on the terrace was open and as she came out into the early sun, she saw a white-backed jersey rising and falling in rhythmic strokes as a familiar figure headed out from shore. Tom, no doubt of it—tired of waiting for her and apparently striking out for distant Connecticut. She prepared to emit the piercing yodel with which she was wont to signal him and checked herself only just in time as she remembered the hour. But if not Tom, who was upstairs with Cousin Amos? Had he been taken ill in the night and did he need help? Should she go back?

A slight scuffle of feet over her head on the little balcony startled her. Could the old man have had a fainting spell—a stroke perhaps? There was something strange about that subdued, shuffling sound. If only Tom, swimming away from her so unconcernedly, would turn so that she could wave him back!

Over her head there was a quick jumble of steps, an exclamation, and suddenly a cracking, rending, tearing sound. From above came hurtling a figure—headfirst—turning in the air, not two feet from where she stood, rooted and horrified, under the projecting balcony—to crumple in sickening distortion at her very feet. A white head moved feebly, white face, breathlessly gasping his name. The eyelids quivered and the blue, childlike eyes looked up at her at first blindly, then with dazed recognition.

"Linda!" She bent down for the painful whisper. "Over—over—"

"Yes, darling—you fell over—"

No. He . . . th-threw—"

"He . . . who?"

There was no answer, nor could Cousin Amos ever tell her more.

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Horror-stricken as she was over the old man's death, Linda grasped the significance of those few broken words. He was trying to tell her something. He had told her—a little. "Over—" "No—he

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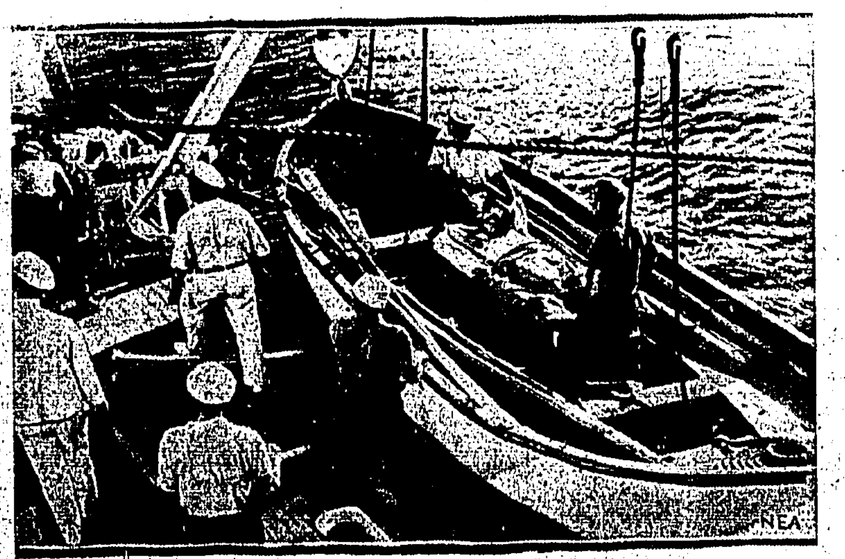
Thomas Patrick Morris is claiming a portion of the $300,000,000 fortune left by Miss Ella Von Elm Wendel on the assertion he is a son of her late brother, John Gottlieb Wendel. To carry out the claim he brought into a New York court a bust of Wendel—equipped with removable spectacles—and stood beside it to show his likeness to the man he claims to be his father.

The life of an artist's model is just a large joke to six-months-old Barry Neville Cox (above) of Sussex. The youngster has been chosen as the model for a village baby which will be one of the central figures in the large murals for Rockefeller Centre in New York.

Two steamers raced toward each other through the night off the Mexican coast when Dr. W. M. Wildman, ship's surgeon, and Dr. J. C. Geiger, on the Dollar liner President Coolidge, diagnosed the symptoms radioed by the steamer Dakotan as extremely acute appendicitis. When the vessels met, the sick man, William Anderson, an oiler was transferred by boat to the Coolidge, and the operation successfully performed. Photo shows the patient being taken aboard the President Coolidge.



A skirmish between British police and unemployed members of the Dagenham Tenants League. The Bobby on the right is standing over a fallen comrade while those on the left are aiding a fallen rioter. Difficulties arose over eviction orders, and the woman seen in the background had been chased from her home at Bacontree, Essex.

No demonstrating was to be permitted in front of the White House and this picture shows how police obeyed the mandate. Mrs. Gertrude Haessler of New York, arrested for disturbing the peace in connexion with the demonstration of children of the unemployed, was carried from the scene.

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Hongkong, 28th December, 1932.

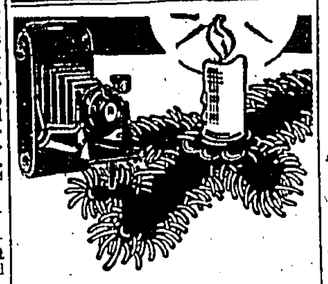
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of Green Island Cement Company, Limited, held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 17th day of August, 1932, a Call of $2.75 per share was made upon all the members holding shares, whose names appear in the Company's register of shareholders on the 17th day of August, 1932, upon which only $1.00 per share has been paid, and it was determined that such Call should be paid on the 31st day of December, 1932, to the Company's Bankers, The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Head Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid.

Upon presentation at the Office of the Company of Bankers' Receipt for the payment of such Call, together with the Certificate of Shares a note of the payment will be endorsed on the Certificate.

Dated this 17th day of August, 1932.

By Order of the Board,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.



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"BIFFEM"

By special request we are publishing the following report from one of the spectators of the Biffem match between Highbrow Harry and Cunning Claud.

A large and distinguished crowd witnessed the match for the Biffem Championship between Highbrow Harry and Cunning Claud. On entering the arena Harry appeared to be the more nervous of the two, but soon regained his composure on recognising some staunch supporters of his among the spectators. Claud was wearing a natty Biffem suit in brown, relieved by touches here and there of red ochre.

After being formally introduced by the referee, Dr. Radio, the opponents shook hands and retired to their respective corners.

The first two rounds were distinctly mediocre, and but for the fact that a little diversion was caused by Cunning Claud being twice cautioned by the referee for taking furtive side-glances at Harry's card, the spectators might have got more restive than they did. As it was, there were a few ugly remarks from the rear by people who wanted their money back. Highbrow Harry won both rounds with comparative ease.

The final round, however, was a most thrilling affair, and at times the excitement of the spectators reached fever pitch. Old Biffem players of many years' standing were heard to remark that they had never before seen such masterly biffs.

Harry disposed his fleet as follows:—Battleship B.4 to E.1, Cruiser C.6 to C.8, Destroyer G.5 to H.5, Submarine H.7. Claud, in his usual cunning manner, placed his ships thus:—Battleship J.1 to J.4; Cruiser J.6 to J.8, Destroyer G.10 to H.10., Submarine J.10.

Cunning Claud, by means of a two-headed coin, won the toss, and fired his first salvo:—G.5; G.6; G.7; H.5; H.6; H.7. Harry's admission that his destroyer and submarine had been sunk was met by roars of applause from the Claudites. A spectator who objected to the decision on the grounds that Claud had seen Harry's card was promptly ejected by order of the referee.

Harry, being only able to fire four shots in return, placed them, in his usual highbrow manner, in squares A.4; B.3; C.2; D.1; and hit nothing.

Claud's Second Salvo:—B.4; B.5; B.6; C.4; C.5; C.6. Result: a hit on Harry's Battleship and his Cruiser.

Harry's Second Salvo: G.10; H.9; I.8; J.7. Result: A hit on Claud's Cruiser and Destroyer.

Claud's Third Salvo: E.1; E.2; E.3; F.1; F.2; F.3; Result: Another hit on Harry's Battleship. (The betting was now 3—1 on Claud.)

Harry's Third Salvo: H.10; I.9; J.8; J.9; Result: Another hit on Claud's Cruiser and his Destroyer sunk.

Claud's Fourth Salvo: B.9; C.8; C.9; D.2; D.9. Result: Harry's Battleship sunk. (Biffers will realise how cunning he was here).

Harry could only fire two shots in return and the spectators were already beginning to look for their coats and hats, but with a superlative stroke of genius he placed both shots into his opponent's battleship, and, to cut a long story short, managed to sink Claud's Fleet without Claud getting in another hit.

Claud, having been thoroughly biffed, slunk away into a dark corner, and Highbrow Harry was carried shoulder-high through a crowd of cheering biffers.

Biffem beginners are recommended to study the above play.

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POLICE RESERVE.

FAREWELL PARTY TO MR. SIRDAR KHAN

There was a large gathering at the headquarters of the Chinese Company, Hongkong Police Reserve, last evening, on the occasion of a farewell tea party to Mr. Sirdar Khan, O.C. the Indian Company, H.K.P.R., who has recently retired, and the presentation of the trophies won by members of the Chinese Company in revolver shooting competitions.

Amongst those present were the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, Hon. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, Honorary Commissioner of the Chinese Company, Mr. Bishen Singh, Honorary Commissioner of the Indian Company, and Messrs. D. L. King, B. C. Randall, and T. O. Ts'o, A.S.P. (R)., Inspector W. V. Field, H.K.P.R., and Messrs. Kwok Sui-lau, Chow Tung-sang and Li Sing-kui.

Making a presentation of a fountain pen and pencil set to Mr. Sirdar Khan on behalf of the Chinese Company, Mr. D. L. King mentioned that Mr. Khan had served with the Police Reserve since 1915 and with his departure they would lose a valuable friend. He wished him every happiness in his retirement.

Spirit of Camaraderie.

Hon. Mr. Wolfe also addressed the gathering and congratulated the company on its march forward in Police Reserve work, stating that it had come as a pleasant surprise to him to find that the Chinese had beaten the hitherto unbeaten Emergency Unit in the Inter-Unit Championship Revolver shoot. He hoped the spirit of camaraderie which was exemplified that day would continue between all units of the Reserve, and it was a pleasure to him to find all the companies working harmoniously together.

Referring to the work of Mr. Sirdar Khan, he said he had done much in furthering the work of the Reserve, and thanked him for his help since 1915, especially during the troublesome periods of 1922 and 1925 and in the autumn of last year.

Replying, Mr. Sirdar Khan eulogised the work done by the Hon. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, Hon. Mr. Wolfe and Mr. D. L. King. Referring to Hon. Mr. Ts'o he mentioned the efforts he had made in the formation of the special constabulary in the strike of 1925, adding that they little thought that that infant would grow into robust youth, and be entrusted with such responsible duties a few years later. He congratulated the Chinese Company on their success in the recent Inter-unit Revolver shoot and said he hoped the competitions would be more frequently held and keenly contested so as to be a stimulant for members to achieve and surpass the required standard of shooting, an art which was of the utmost importance to a policeman.

The prizes were presented by Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe as follows:

Police Reserve Inter-Unit Revolver Championship Cup.—Mr. T. O. Ts'o on behalf of the Chinese Company.

Chinese Company Revolver Championship. 1, P.S. R67 Chow Ching-chiu; 2, P.C. R42 Wong King-chuen; 3, L.S. R30 Thong Po-hing.

Prize for best score at application 10 yards, Chinese Company Championship.—P.C. R59 Molin Yue.

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

RADIO NOTICE

X. L. T. Telegrams conveying New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Government Radio Office for transmission via Radio during the period from 17th December, 1932 to 6th January, 1933, both dates inclusive.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Calcutta and Straits	Yuensang	December 30
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 10th December)	President Madison	December 30.
Japan and Shanghai	Kaisar-I-Hind	December 30.
Shanghai and Amoy	Chinhua	December 30.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning	December 31.
Straits	Conte Verde	January 1.
Straits	Perseus	January 2.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	January 2.
Shanghai	Athos II.	January 3.
Japan	Arizona Maru	January 3.
Saigon	D'Artagnan	January 4.
Australia and Manila	Nellore	January 4.
Shanghai	Agamemnon	January 4.
Japan	Brisbane Maru	January 4.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco, 9th December)	Pres. Van Buren	January 6.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 17th December)	Emp. of Canada	January 6.
Japan and Shanghai	Soudan	January 6.
Japan and Shanghai	Kashima Maru	January 6.
Straits	Suwa Maru	January 7.
Straits	Antenor	January 7.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Thursday.		
Shanghai and *Japan	Carthage	Thurs., Dec. 29, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thur., Dec. 29, 3 p.m.
*Straits, East and South Africa	Alaska Maru	Thurs., Dec. 29, 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kongso	Thurs., Dec. 29, 4 p.m.
Amoy	Tanthia	Thurs., Dec. 29, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Shunchih	Thurs., Dec. 29, 5 p.m.
Friday.		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. and *Europe via Siberia (Due Vancouver B.C., 10th Jan.)	Empress of Asia	Fri., Dec. 30. Parcels, Dec. 29, 5 p.m. Reg., Dec. 30, 9.15 a.m. Letters, Dec. 30, 10 a.m.
Haihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiungchow	Fri., Dec. 30, 12.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri., Dec. 30, 1 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Muinam	Fri., Dec. 30, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Burdwan	Fri., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kaisar-I-Hind (Due Marseilles, 27th Jan. 1933)	Fri., Dec. 30.
K. P. O.		G. P. O.
Parcels, Dec. 30, 4.30 p.m.		Parcels, Dec. 30, 5 p.m.
Reg., Dec. 31, 9 a.m.		Reg., Dec. 31, 8.45 p.m.
Letters, Dec. 31, 10 a.m.		Letters, Dec. 31, 9.30 a.m.
Saturday.		
*Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane (Due Brisbane, 17th January)	Nankin	Sat., Dec. 31. Parcels, Dec. 30, 5 p.m. Reg., Dec. 31, 8.45 a.m. Letters, Dec. 31, 9.30 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Madison	Sat., Dec. 31, 4.30 p.m.
Sunday.		
Shanghai	Conte Verde	Sun., Jan. 1, 9 a.m.
Monday.		
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	Canton Maru	Mon., Jan. 2, 9 a.m.
Tuesday.		
Batavia	Tjisalak	Tues., Jan. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Haihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Tonkin	Tues., Jan. 3, 1 p.m.
Letters for "Saigon—Marseilles Air Mail Service"	Athos II	Tues., Jan. 3.
K. P. O.		G. P. O.
Registration 3rd Noon.		Registration 3rd 12.30 p.m.
Letters 3rd Noon.		Letters 3rd 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Jan. 3, 2 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, *E. and *S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles 3rd, February).	Athos II	Jan. 3.
K. P. O.		G. P. O.
Registration 3rd 1 p.m.		Registration 3rd 1.45 p.m.
Letters 3rd 1 p.m.		Letters 3rd 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco (Due San Francisco, 24th Jan.)	President Coolidge	Tues., Jan. 3. Parcels, Jan. 3, 3 p.m. Reg., Jan. 3, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Jan. 3, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Sandvikon	Tues., Jan. 3, 5 p.m.
Wednesday.		
Sandakan	Hinsang	Wed., Jan. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	D'Artagnan	Wed., Jan. 4, 2 p.m.

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>
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COMPLETE ROUND-UP OF UNDESIRABLES

Moscow, Dec. 28.

A rounding up of all kulaks (thiefs and persons of no fixed abode), and the establishment of the single passport system throughout the U.S.S.R. in order to improve registration of the population, is ordered in a new decree by the Central Executive Committee. All citizens over 16 years who regularly live in towns, workers in settlements also those engaged in transport work on State farms or enterprises under construction, must have passports which will be considered as identification papers.

Special department of workers, peasants, and militia attached to the State Political Department has been formed to ensure the working of the decree. In the main cities, undesirables will be expelled from the town.—*Reuter.*

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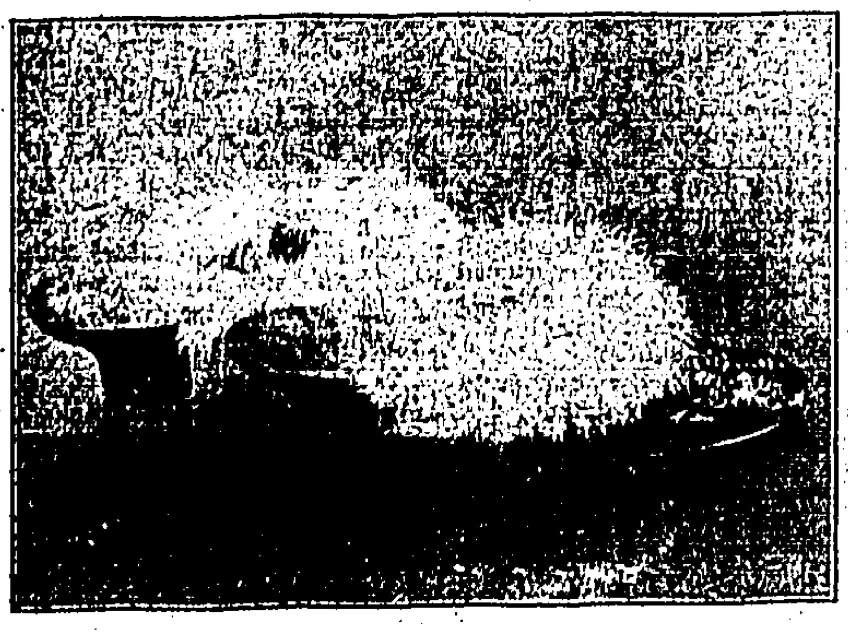

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S MARKET EASY

According to Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, the New York market was easy yesterday. Business done: 1,600,000 shares. The *Wall Street Journal* reports:—After an early advance the market declined due to dumping of block of from one thousand to more than seven thousand shares in order to establish tax losses. Considerable shares of General Motors, North American and Aviation were sold. Later the market firmed owing to improved November operating, showing railroads also better steel news than expected. The *Ironage Magazine* reported a lower holiday decline than anticipated, and stated:—The industry is holding slightly above depression low point despite usual year-end curtailment and output is estimated at 18%. There is no suspension in districts where automobile steel are the principal products except during week-end holidays. Detroit plants are operating five or six hearths, Cleveland area 26% and Pittsburgh area not above 12%. Mills will start new year with no important backlog tonnages with very indefinite prospects. It is expected, however, that business will improve moderately after the year end pause.

Dow-Jones averages:

	Dec. 27.	Dec. 28.
30 Industrials	57.60	57.87
20 Rails	24.24	24.69
20 Utilities	26.59	26.66
40 Bonds	76.65	76.85

	Dec. 27.	Dec. 28.
American Can	53¼	53¾
American Smelting	10⅝	11¼
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	102⅛	102⅝
Amer. Tob. "B"	57¼	56⅝
Anaconda Copper	5¾	5⅝
Auburn	47¼	47½
Bethlehem Steel	12⅝	12¾
Borden Company	23⅞	23⅞
Canadian Pacific Railway	13⅝	13⅝
Chase National Bank	32⅝	32½
Chrysler	15⅝	15⅝
Consolidated Gas of N.Y.	57½	57⅝
Drugs Inc.	35¼	35¼
Du Pont de Nemours	36⅛	35⅝
Eastman Kodak	52⅝	52¼
Electric Bond & Share	17⅛	17⅝
Electric Power & Light	5¾	5¾
General Electric	14⅝	14½
General Foods	23½	23⅞
General Motors	13	13¼
Gillette Safety Razor	17½	18
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	14	13¾
International Harvester	20¼	20¼
International Tel. & Tel.	5⅛	5½
Krouger & Toll	⅛	⅛
Liggett & Myers "B"	54½	55¼
Loew's Inc.	18⅝	18⅞
Montgomery Ward	12⅝	12⅝
National City Bank	41	Unq.
Pacific Gas & Electric	30¼	30⅝
Packard Motors	2⅛	2⅛
Pennsylvania	12⅞	13⅛
Radio Corporation	4	4⅛
Sears Roebuck	18⅛	18⅛
Shell Union	4⅝	4⅝
Socony-Vacuum Corporation	6⅞	6⅛
Standard Oil Co., of N.J.	29¼	Unq.
Texas Corporation	12⅛	12⅛
Union Carbide & Carbon	25½	25⅛
Union Pacific	66⅞	67¼
United Aircraft & Trans.	25	25¼
U.S. Rubber	3⅞	4
U.S. Steel	25⅝	25⅝
Westinghouse E. & M.	26½	26⅞
Woolworth	35⅝	35

The opening ceremony and concert of the Normal Guide School, Kowloon, will be held in the Prince's Theatre on New Year's day at 9 a.m. Mrs. B. Silver will preside at the ceremony. There will be an entertainment in which the most attractive features will be a play "Two Comical Soldiers" acted by the Chung Sing Charitable Association, and a fantastic dance by the Chin Woo Athletic Association.

A man named Mark Ark, alias J. C. Wu, against whom a warrant has been issued by the Government of British Columbia for alleged murder, made another appearance before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court yesterday, when he waived extradition. The fugitive's escort, Detective-Inspector J. Ellice, of Vancouver, was present in Court. He takes custody of the prisoner on the trip to Canada, where the man will be tried. It is understood that the accused will leave on the Empress of Asia to-day.

LONDON STOCK PRICES

MARKET MUCH BRIGHTER

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuter. The market was generally bright yesterday, industrials being fairly active.

	Dec. 23.	Dec. 28.
Brit.-Amer. Tob.	103/1½	103/1¼
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907	£ 59½	£ 59½
Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1924	£ 70½	£ 70½
5% Shai.-Nanking Rly.	£ 40.45	£ 40.45
5% Tient.-Pukow Rly.	£ 27.32	£ 27.32
5% Tient.-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)	£ 25.30	£ 25.30
5% Shai.-Hangchow — Ningpo Railway	£ 78.83	£ 78.83
5% Hukuang Rly. 1911	£ 26.30	£ 26.30
5% Honan Rly.	£ 5.10	£ 5.10
5% Lung Tsing U. Hai Rly. 1913	£ 15.19	£ 15.19
Chinese Eng. & Min.	24/6	25/–
Canadian Pac. Rly.	$ 19⅞	$ 20⅝
Shanghai Electric Constr.	53/–	53/–
Burmah Oil	60/7½	60/7½
Anglo-Persian Oil	36/3	37/6
Mexican Eagle,	7/1½	7/3
Royal Dutch	£ 18⅛	£ 18
J. & P. Coats	48/–	47/9
Daily Mail Trust	34/9	35/–
Imp. Chemical Industries	24/7½	24/9
Imp. Tobacco	96/9	97/6
General Electric (England)	39/–	38/6
Elec. & Musical Industries	11/1½	10/6
Turner & Newall	24/3	24/–
Unilever	30/9	30/9
Vickers	7/3	7/6
Woolworth	73/6	73/6
Ford Motors	19/9	18/9
Dunlop Rubber	19/6	19/10½
Burma Corpn.	9/7½	9/7½
Anglo-Dutch	9/3	9/3
Shell Trans. & Trad.	48/9	48/1½
Courtaulds	30/6	31/–
Everready	28/–	28/1½
Pinchin Johnson	28/6	28/9
Pekin Syndicate	1/9	1/9

SUGAR MARKET

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals

March 1933 5/1¼ down 2d.
May 1933 5/3¼ down 1¾d.
August 1933 5/6¼ down 1¾d.
December 1933 5/9¼ down 1¾d.

New York Terminals

		27th	28th
March	1933	.70	.70 down 2 pts.
May	1933	.75	.75 down 2 pts.
July	1933	.80	.80 down 2 pts.
Sept.	1933	.85	.85 down 2 pts.

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SHARE PRICES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Banks, $1675 b.
Hongkong Lon. Reg., £116¼ n.
Chartered Bank £12¾ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. £23½ n.
Mercantile Bank C., £9⅞ n.
East Asia, $108
Am: O. Finance Corp., $28 n.
China O. Fin. Orq., Tls.6 n.
China A. Fin. Pref. Tls. 4.60 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., $1240 b.
Union Ins., $560 s.
China Underwriters, $2.60 n.
China Fire $620 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., $1190 b.
International Assce, Tls. 4.15 b.

Shipping.

Douglas, $27.10 b.
H.K. Steamboats, $23 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) $45 n.
Ido-Chinas (Def.), $32 n.
Shell (Bear), 48/1½ n.
Union Waterboats, $20¾ b.

Mining.

Benguets, $18½ b.
Kailans, 26/3 n.
Langkats (Single), Tls.4 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls.2.10 n.
S'hai Loans, Tls.2.30 n.
Venz: Goldfields, $4.20 n.
Benguet Exp., 23 cts. n.

Docks, etc.

H.K. Wharves, $141½ b.
H.K. & Docks, $24 n.
S. China Motors A., $10 n.
S. China Motor B., $8 n.
Providents (old), $4.50 b.
Providents (new), $1.55 b.
Hongkews, Tls. 225 n.
New Engineerings, Tls.6.20 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls.95 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

Hotels (old), $10½ b.
Hotels (New), $9.90 b.
H.K. Lands, $75 b.
S'hai Lands, Tls. 25¼ n.
Metropolitan Lands, Tls. 10 n.
Humphreys, $14.90 b.
H.K. Realties, $8.25 b.
Asia Realties "A", $140 n
Asia Realties "B", $28 n.
Chinese Estates, $98 b.
China Realties, Tls.11.40 n.
China Debentures Tls.99½ n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.40 sa.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 73½ n.
Zoong Sings, Tls.11.75 b.
Wing On Textiles (S.) 125 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramway, $20.60 b.
Peak Trams (old), $15.50 n.
Star Ferries, $91 b.
Yaumati Ferries, (old), $34½ n.
Yaumati Ferries (new), $33.75 n.
China Light (old), $15¼ b.
H.K. Electric $76 b.
Macao Electric $27 n.
Sandakan Lights, $12 n.
Telephones (old), $30 n.
Telephones (new), $25.50 b.
China Buses, Tls.10 n.
Singapore Tractions, 2/- n.
Singapore Pref. 12/- n.

Industries.

Malabon Sugars $27½ n.
Cald: Macg. Ord.), Tls.14 n.
Cald: Macg. Pref.), Tls.10½ n.
Canton Ices, $6 n.
Cements (Com.), $10.30 s.
Cements (old), $8.75 sa.
Cements (new), $1.25 sa.
H.K. Ropes, $10¼ n.
Agriculturals, $7 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, $28.50 b.
Watsons (old), $12.75 n.
Watsons (new), $11.40 n.
Dor. A. Wings, $1 n.
Sinceres $15.25 s.
Lane Crawfords, $5.40 n.
Mackintoshs, $21 n.
Wm. Powells, $3.35 n.
Wing O n(H.K.) $235 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements $16.50 n.
Entertainments, $13.40 n.
S.C. Enterprises, $3¼ n.
United Theatres Tls. 5.25 b.
Macao "Greyhounds," $10 n.
Construction (old), $6.10 n.
Construction (new), $1.40 n.
B. Ind. G.$ Bonds, $69% n.
Wallace Harpers, $10 s.
China Sports Ltd., $10 n.

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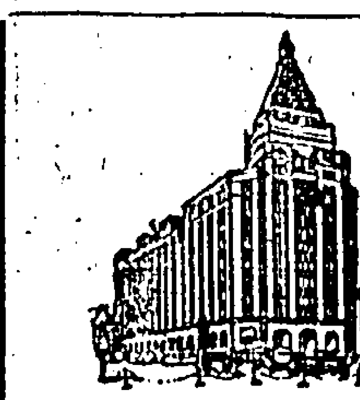

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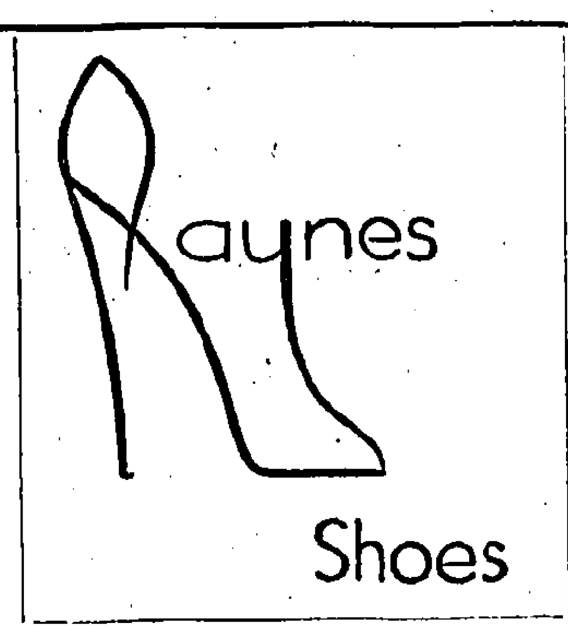

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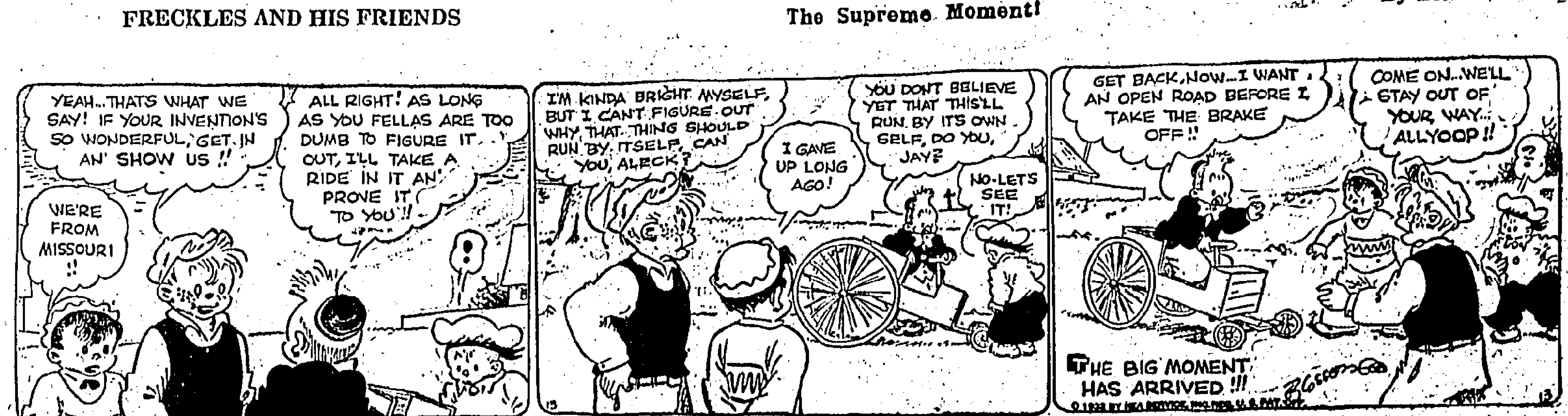

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THE DEMOCRATS AND WAR DEBTS

Having apparently failed in his efforts to induce Mr. Roosevelt to co-operate on the war debt question, President Hoover now seems disposed to take no further action in the matter. The prospect, therefore, is that the Democrats will have to shoulder the whole responsibility after they come into office in March. President Hoover, anxious that the matter should be taken in hand without delay, suggested the creation of a Commission to consider the whole problem, the personnel of this body to include one or two Democrats who would act in direct contact with Mr. Roosevelt during the inquiry. This idea, however, has proved inacceptable to the President-Elect, who merely wants a fact-finding Commission, not charged with consideration of the question of revision. In other ways, also, Mr. Roosevelt has shown a disinclination to co-operate, largely on the ground that his responsibility only begins after he takes office. This attitude is to be deplored, since it is plain that there will be very little time between March and June, when the next instalments are due, in which to reach decisions likely to be acceptable to America's debtors. The calling of a special session of the new Congress in the Spring is hinted at, in order that a general default may be prevented. Something of the kind will be necessary if a fresh deadlock is to be avoided. In this connexion, it is to be noted that the next instalments, due on June 15th, amount to approximately $135,000,000, and should there be a general default, complications of a serious nature may arise. Britain, for one, has made it clear that she does not propose to continue paying on the old basis, and it may be taken for granted that other of America's debtors also expect some revision of their debt-funding agreements. The Hoover plan, of starting a preliminary examination of the problem without delay, has everything to commend it. This contemplated restricting the task of the Commission to an examination of the position, with provision for subsequent reporting to the President, who by that time would most likely be Mr. Roosevelt, as the investigation would take a considerable period of time. In this way, definite progress would be assured and the foundations laid for a new approach to the whole problem. But the Democrats do not appear to be in any hurry. In the meantime, France has been making overtures to the United States, asking for some conciliatory gesture, such as a promise to participate in a debt conference, which might be offered to the French Chamber as an inducement to pay the December instalment on which France has defaulted. This fact provides further evidence of a desire for a fresh analysis of the whole position. Sooner or later, the United States has to face the fact that a new arrangement is desired. It would be better for everybody concerned had there been some show of a willingness on the part of America to deal with the matter on non-partisan lines.

Spring-Cleaning

A great domestic occasion is at hand, and in every household upheaval is impending. For it will soon be spring-cleaning time, when to all worthy housewives comes an urgent summons to see that the "boy" is at it with brush, broom, and duster. Room after room is turned topsy-turvy; upstairs and downstairs all is confusion; no sanctum escapes the invasion; no corner eludes the attack. The master of the house deprived of the fireside, his favourite chair enveloped in a dust-sheet, wanders unhappily about from room to room seeking a refuge, a place to rest and be quiet. But in vain. Wherever he goes the sound of the turmoil follows, though doors have been carefully shut and windows securely fastened. The shaking and scraping, the sweeping and scrubbing is audible all through the house and louder, more irritating, than anything else, the insistent hum of the electric vacuum sweeper. He does not protest, however, for that would invite a bitter reproach from his spouse. He does not argue, for argument will not prevail; nor does he threaten, for threats will only provoke. And even when all is straight once more, the normal atmosphere of restful calm restored, the home is not the same again and will not be for many weeks. Things are not where they were. The aspect of one room is rendered unfamiliar by a rearrangement of the furniture; another room has a strange appearance by reason of a picture moved; worst of all, under pretext of tidiness, treasured personal belongings have been put away in the most unlikely places. Your favourite pipe is missing. A most important document cannot be found. Your gloves are not where you left them. The book you were reading—where is it now? If you are lucky enough to find your possessions it will be only after an arduous search, and it may be you will only discover their hiding-place long afterwards by accident. But if you do find them, and when, take comfort in the thought that not for another year will your privacy thus be disturbed.

Brighter Statues

The keeper in the Victoria Embankment Gardens who had the temerity to try out a "guaranteed permanent polish" on one of the statues under his care is a brave man. The London County Council official who surprised him in the act might have delivered a biting homily on the recognised efficacy of elbow-grease, on the necessity, in the interests of public decency, of *somcone* showing more than a cursory regard for the memory of those whom the public has seen fit to immortalise in bronze. Fortunately for the experimenter, his polish had a twinkle that enraptured even the official heart, and orders were given that every bronze memorial within sight should be thus permanently embellished. In future a monthly flick of the duster will suffice to keep their appearance unsullied. It is too early to say whether this new fashion will spread to the other statues, but there are certainly many that would benefit from a course of beauty treatment. The trouble about statues is that nobody troubles to make a fuss of them. This makes them dispirited, and gives them that wan, dejected look which gets on everyone's nerves. We saw how new life could be injected into a public memorial by removing Eros from his pedestal until his absence was felt. Of course, Eros is an exception. But we might try the experiment with some others. Instead of a permanent gloss what we need is some preparation which would make our statues invisible. Then it would be an easy matter to determine which of them we really care about.

WAKE UP, YOUNG ENGLAND!

By F. E. BAILY

It may be that what is called the alchemy of Time works marvels, and that with the passing years the modern young will become intelligent, responsible, industrious, learn to shut doors behind them, and cultivate some sort of mental life but I doubt it.

The reason is that in order to build one must first provide a foundation, and the modern young, as far as I can understand them, have provided no such foundation.

Intelligence, responsibility, industry, and a taste for cultivating the mind do not spring up overnight in the late twenties and early thirties like a crop of mustard and cress. A young person in the late 'teens whose acute personal interests are divided between a portable gramphone, wireless, and movies will never, leaving out miracles, develop any sort of mental life. Ambition, a taste for books, a high standard of achievement manifest themselves in the early years or not at all.

LACK OF BALLAST.

I am sure my lot were not so inept in their later 'teens as the present 18 and 19-year-olds. All my greatest friends in my last years at school knew what they meant to do in life, had their plan of campaign mapped out, and were working solidly at school to pass their examinations; or specialising in some way for the job ahead of them. Most of them never lived to reap the harvest of their efforts, because the war intervened and they were killed, but they lived long enough and succeeded well enough to prove to me that the man who will go far develops responsibility very early in life.

In those pre-war days, which seems so antediluvian to the modern young, we were a great deal older for our age than they are; chiefly, I think, because a great deal more was expected of us and we expected more of ourselves. Life was much harder for the young at that time; only after the war did older people become sloppy about their juniors, and excuse them the drudgery everyone needs to go through who accomplishes anything, and coax them, and spoil them, and declare they must have this and that at any cost to someone else.

CHILDISH LOT.

As a result of all this spoiling I find to-day's young people a childish lot. It is very difficult to pick a young man or a young woman, if one has a job to offer, who will get down to the job and go at it for all he or she is worth, without being nursed and persuaded, and without needing elementary matters of spelling and punctuation, method and accuracy, pointed out over and over again.

And even after one has done all this persuading and pointing out, the young person's heart will seldom be in the job. He looks on it, and so does she, as an inevitable bore and nuisance, which he or she must drag through somehow in order to earn money for frocks and ties and dances and the movies. Nevertheless these lads and lassies must eventually come to dust, and the preliminary to dust is middle age, and what will the robins do then, poor things? They will no longer be young and slim enough to sit on the carriers of motor-bicycles or in narrow baby cars, and they will have no mental pursuits to fall back on, unless you call bridge a mental pursuit. They never opened a book when young, and they cut out even the mildly serious broadcasts. You can't suddenly take to books in despair, in the manner of one taking to drink or drugs.

So there the present young will be with such charm as they ever had waning or departed. As far as one can divine their future, they have an excellent chance of developing into a collection of cross, dissatisfied, aimless middle-aged bores.

UNCULTIVATED MINDS.

Middle-aged happiness is the fruit of youthful toil and exertion and diligently cultivated mental qualities. The physical attributes begin to decay early in life; a boxer is an old man at 30, and a footballer at 35, and even the cricketer at 40 is past his prime, though by skill and cunning he may linger on for a few more years. At 45, however, the mind should only be approaching its heyday, assisted by the psychological uplift which comes from definite success at one's job. But to succeed at one's job necessitates single-minded devotion to it in youth, and an eager, carefully controlled ambition; and the mind which has never been cultivated will never know a heyday.

Naturally there are exceptions, for one cannot logically condemn all young people. The individual will always out. With this reservation I do assert that on the whole those about to come of age at this period of history seem to me more trivial, childish, stupid, and unambitious than my generation was or than the present-day 10 to 12-year-olds will be.

Our 18 and 19-year-olds really cannot blame their scatty mindedness on the late war, for they remember nothing about it, and although they are fond of remarking that they inherited a shattered world and must clear up the mess made by their elders, really the presentday world is a much more convenient place to live in for all classes than the pre-war world was. I have lived in both and I know.

All these things being so, may I implore the young to take themselves in hand and develop rather more enterprise and a few mental resources before it is too late? I assure them my diagnosis of their sad state is by no means eccentric or morbid. Any employer of labour will agree with me. He will admit the existence of exceptions, but at the ruck of young people who come to him for jobs he can only shrug his shoulders.

DAYS OF MIDDLE-AGE.

We shall only be middle-aged once, and for those who have spent an intelligent youth, middle-age is a fine ime, for many struggles and troubles lie behind and many pleasant prospects before. Alternately, if in the forties a person's mental age is still 17, then heaven help him, for his body will have grown out of his toys, and his mind will have found nothing to put in their place.

"Say! Joe, look and see if I got this safety belt on right."

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BRING 'EM BACK ALIVE.

By Edward "Congorilla" Kelly.

We have just seen "Bring 'Em Back Alive" at the Central Theatre.

And let us tell you right here and now, without any quibbling or beating about the jungle, that the only thing that's not real about those fighting animal scenes is the absence of a bottle of rum in the foreground.

The last time we saw animals doing all those stunts was just before they led us away to the Inebriates Home.

As one who has seen more animals, especially the pink and vermillion variety, than any other man in Hongkong, we want to congratulate Frank, who made "Bring 'Em Back Alive".

We have had a lot experience with animals. Take bisons, for instance. A bison is a female bosun.

We remember a rather amusing incident that occurred in North America where we were for some weeks exterminating wild bisons for the Armenian Relief Society.

It was during the moulting season, and as a maddened beast rushed at us, we grabbed it by the horns, or front handles, intending to throw it away. Imagine our surprise when the skin came right away from the horns and left the animal standing naked before us!

On another occasion, while out on a big game hunt in Africa (most of the games are small in Africa. Ten cent jack-pots and fifty cent raises) one of our bearers approached with the news that there was an elephant of enormous proportions hiding behind our heap of lion skins.

We hastened to have a look at the animal and saw that despite its size it was no use as a specimen, as it had fallen arches. The huge beast seemed to be in pain, so lowering it gently on to its back, we called for one of the bearers to bring our medicine chest.

The poor beast was suffering from catarrh. After dosing it up, we wrapped its chest in red flannel and sent it on its way.

Eight months after, as we were standing on the wharf preparatory to sailing from Africa, we heard a loud trumpeting behind us, and looking around saw the same elephant coming towards us looking the picture of health and waving some bright coloured material in its trunk.

It had come to return the red flannel. The elephant never forgets. As a matter of fact, every Xmas he sends me a postcard.

WELL! WELL! WELL!

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OPERA PREMATURE.

To-day we are blase. We drift, we float in a Nirvana of Indifference. If you told us the nearest policeman was Garbo, we shouldn't bother to ask the time.

Yesterday we helped the producer of the Italian opera to put his chorus girls through their paces.

Our oculist says we shall probably have to wear smoked glasses for the rest of our life.

We got into the Star through a ventilator. A seething shoal of femininity had silted up the more orthodox entrances. The whole of the back-stage area was monopolised by young ladies putting on make-up and taking off clothes—the regulation garment for the audition being what is called a "practice dress." You can see that it is only practising.

We dropped into a seat in the stalls, feeling like a myopic sultan.

On the stage sparkled an alternating current of blondes, brunettes, and red-heads, each singing a few scales, flashing several teeth, and turning an ambitious ankle. Then "That'll do," said the producer round his cigar, and a pair of legs twinkled off.

"Paris had a soft job," was our verdict.

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WITH THE AUSSIES.

Pete always was an obstreperous sort of chap. When we were out at Fanling camp the other day, the Blighters took us for a twenty mile route march.

The coolies who were fetching up in the rear with our supply of beer got lost, so after the first ten miles the C.O. halted us.

"Boys," he said, "what do you want to do. Wait for the coolies or continue the march. Those who want to wait take one step forward."

Everyone but Pete shuffled forward.

"Brave man," said the C.O. to Pete. "You are the only soldier in the squad. The only man who, in the face of sudden adversity, wanted to do his duty."

"Do me duty!" said Pete. "Why, I'm too blankey tired to take a step forward!"

SZECHUAN PEACE HOPES

KWEICHOW ALSO QUIETER

Nanking, Dec. 27.

After three months' fighting in which thousands of lives were lost and as a result of which a large part of the province has been plunged into chaos, peace appears to be looming now in Szechuan as General Liu Wen-hui, Chairman of the Provincial Government, after losing the decisive battle at Kiating and Shenju, has sent a despatch to General Liu Hsiang, asking for an armistice and indicating his desire to retire.

Hopes are being entertained that an amicable settlement will be reached between the warring factions.

The vernacular papers here estimate that in the battle of Kiating which lasted fully ten days and which resulted in a decisive victory for General Liu Hsiang, over ten thousand officers and troops were killed. The papers anticipate a peace conference among the Szechuan warlords which will discuss and decide on the new distribution of garrison areas.

One report states that General Liu Wen-hui, after relinquishing his Szechuan chairmanship, may become head of the new province of Sikong.

Chinese reports received here also indicate that the Kweichow situation has also taken a turn for the better owing to the National Government announcing the appointment of Yu Kuo-tsai as Acting Chairman of the Kweichow Provincial Government and dismissal of the ousted governor, General Wang Kia-lieh. Fighting in that province has completely ceased.

The Government is hopeful that peace will shortly be restored to both Szechuan and Kweichow.—*Reuter.*

NEW REGIME IN FOOCHOW

HOPES OF BETTER TIMES

Foochow, Dec. 24.

The new Provincial Government has taken office without a hitch, and everyone has great hopes for a better regime than was enjoyed under our late Governors. It is true that the value of small silver has fallen, apparently through fear that Cantonese money is to be imported, but otherwise propects seem bright. The new Finance Commissioner holds out strong hope that the Provincial budget will be balanced, and that all officials will be paid punctually, while taxation will, if anything, be made lighter.

The most sincere expressions of regret are in connexion with the departure of the Hon. Ch'eng Shin-Kuei, late Commissioner of Education, who had done so much during the last four years to push forward the work of education in Fukien. On Sat., Dec. 17, a farewell meeting was held at the Y.M.C.A. when over sixty representatives of the Christian Schools entertained him to lunch; and another gathering on Tues., Dec. 20, gave an opportunity for all educationists to give their tribute to his splendid work. In him Fukien loses a really great man.

Another loss has been sustained, this time by the foreign community especially, in the person of Dr. E.C. Dymond, who has just left for South Africa, after acting as Port Doctor for eighteen months. He was born in Yunnan, and had experience in South America and in Wenchow before coming to Foochow. His skill as a surgeon is far beyond the ordinary, and the departure of himself and Mrs. Dymond is much regretted.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

NANKING TAX IMPASSE

FOREIGN FIRMS NOT PAYING

Nanking, Dec. 28.

With reference to the action taken by the Nanking Municipal Government in requesting all legitimate municipal taxes, Mr. Lai Lien, Secretary General of the Municipal Government, disclosed in an interview to-day that a number of foreign firms had refused to pay the Business as well as Rental Taxes, which had long been enforced among the Chinese residents.

The Municipal Authorities have, therefore requested the foreign Consuls in Nanking to request their respective nationals to fulfil their obligations.

The Municipal Government official emphasised that the taxes involved were put into effect according to law and paid by the Chinese residents, there being no discrimination whatsoever.—*Reuter.*

OPERA SEASON STARTS

FINE PERFORMANCE LAST NIGHT

In presenting those two masterpieces of grand opera, "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "I Pagliacci," the S. Carlo Grand Opera Company not only made a brilliant opening to their local season at the Star Theatre last night, but assured themselves of the success of their stay in Hongkong.

In spite of the fact that the arrangements were obviously of the last-minute rush type, a fine crowd assembled at the Star Theatre to welcome this Company, already prime favourites in Hongkong. They were not disappointed. The magnificent work of Mlle. Galli as Santuzza in Cavalleria Rusticana delighted the audience. She was in her best voice and also brought into effective play her histrionic skill.

M. Scamuzzi as Alfio was brilliant, and splendid supporting solo singing was given by Mlle. Moretti, M. Royo and Mlle. Baldini. The chorus work, in view of their few numbers, was exceptionally fine, and the orchestra, under Cav. G. Pucetti, after an indifferent start, warmed to their task and finished triumphantly.

Pagliacci was even finer, and it is regrettable that the names of the cast were not included on the programme which precludes us from offering well-deserved tributes.

Several portions of the opera were outstanding and elicited ovations from the audience, such as the prologue of Silvio, the "Laugh Pagliacco" song of Canio, and the solos of Nedda.

It was altogether an exceptionally fine entertainment, and the further appearances this and next week, of the Company are certain to attract big audiences.

SERVICE MEN ENTERTAINED

HAPPY GATHERING LAST NIGHT

Over 150 Service men and their wives were entertained to a Christmas Party, last evening, the arrangements being made by the Rev. E. C. Tribbeck and civilian friends.

Following a Christmas supper, an impromptu concert was held, those taking part being the Medway Concert Party, Mrs. Matheson and Stoker Petty Officer Rider. Numerous competitions were held and prizewinners included Stoker Petty Officer Rider, Mr. Schofield, Leading Seaman A. J. Hurrell and Petty Office Cooley.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. S. Boulton, and the organisers were thanked on the motion of Stoker Petty Officer Rider. Amongst those present were Rev. F. E. ("Bob") Ford, the Toc H. Padre, and Mrs. H. Chappell.

H.E. Major General O. C. Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., the new G.O.C. China Command, who arrived in Hongkong yesterday. He succeeds Major General J. W. Sandilands.

FENG'S FUTURE DISCUSSED

REFUSES TO LEAVE KALGAN

Peking, Dec. 28.

With reference to the report that the northern military leaders who are gathered here for a conference discussing the North China political situation, have decided to ask Gen. Fung Yu-hsiang to either leave for abroad or accept a Government post and move elsewhere, it is reliably learned that General Feng has indicated his intention not to leave Kalgan owing to the pressure which is being brought upon him.

It is stated that General Feng has made it clear that at present he will continue his stay in Kalgan, declaring that he is a Chinese citizen and also a number of the Central Excutive Committee of the Kuomintang and therefore he is able to live where he pleases.

The question of General Feng Yu-hsiang's future, it would appear, is the chief topic of discussion among many militarists now gathered here. It is to be noted that three suggestions have been made: (1) That the Government provide Feng with funds to go abroad, (2) That the Government invite him to go to Nanking to take up a ministerial post, and (3) That the Government designate a place where Feng must live.—*Reuter.*

COTTON & WHEAT

LATEST NEW YORK QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz have received the following quotations on the New York cotton and wheat exchanges for yesterday:

Cotton

	Opening Range	Closing Range
January	5.77–5.77	5.82–5.82
March	5.91–5.92	5.95–5.96
May	6.05–6.03	6.08–6.09
July	6.17–6.17	6.21–6.21
October	6.35–6.34	6.40–6.41
December	6.46–6.46	6.52–6.52
Spot	6.00	

Wheat

	Chicago	Winnipeg
December	43	40⅝
May	44	42¼
July	44⅛	43⅝

THE NEW G.O.C.

ARRIVAL OF MAJOR GEN. O. C. BORRETT

Delayed outside the harbour by foggy weather, and forced to anchor for two hours, the P. and O. liner Carthage did not berth yesterday until 4.30 p.m.

Among the many prominent passengers aboard was Major General O. C. Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., who, after the departure of Major General J. W. Sandilands on Saturday, will be the new General Officer Commanding the British Troops in China.

No official reception was associated with the arrival of the new G.O.C., who was met at the wharf by the present G.O.C., Major General Sandilands, and two staff officers.

Both Major General Sandilands and Major General Borrett will reside at Flagstaff House until Saturday, and in order to prevent confusion, it is particularly requested that calls on Major General and Mrs. Borrett should not be made until after Major General Sandilands' departure on Saturday.

Major General Sandilands will depart from Hongkong by the P. and O. liner Kaisar-I-Hind, which is due to leave at noon on Saturday. He will leave Queen's Pier at 11 a.m. on Saturday, on the occasion of his handing over command of the British Troops in China.

New G.O.C's. Career.

Major General Borrett who will take command on Saturday, was born on March 4, 1878, and entered the army in 1898. He was appointed a Lieutenant in 1900, and became a Major fourteen years later. He served during the first two years of the Great War with the Shropshire Light Infantry and became a Colonel in 1919. In November 1930 he was appointed Major General.

Major General Borrett saw special service in South Africa in 1900 when he was A.D.C. to the Lt. General during the Boer War. From 1909 until the outbreak of the Great War he served as Adjutant with the Indian Volunteers. He became Brigadier Commander in France towards the latter stages of the War and was A.D.C. to His Majesty the King from 1919 to 1930.

He holds a number of foreign and other decorations, including medals for the South African and European wars, and for operations on the North-West Frontier of India where he was Brigadier Commander of the Waziristan Force, the Wana Column, and the Wana Force. He was Brigadier Commander of India from 1923 to 1927, when he became Brig. Cmdr. of North China and Commander of the Shanghai Area. He was appointed Divisional Commander of the Northern Command in 1931. Brig. General Borrett left Shanghai for Home on January 7, 1931. During his stay in Shanghai, he was in command of the 1st. Battalion of the Welsh Regiment.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 23.	Dec. 28.
Paris	85.7/16	85.5/16
Geneva	17.31	17.30
Berlin	13.98	13.17½
Helsingfors	229	229
Oslo	19.40	19.40
Athens	625	625
Milan	65	65
Buenos Aires	Nom.	Nom.
Shanghai	1/7¾	1/7¼
New York	3.33⅝	3.33
Amsterdam	8.30	8.28¾
Vienna	28½	28½
Prague	112½	112⅝
Madrid	40.15/16	40.13/16
Bucharest	560	565
Hongkong	1/3.3/16	1/3⅝
Brussels	24.06½	23.97½
Stockholm	18.30½	18.30½
Copenhagen	19.29½	19.29½
Lisbon	109½	109½
Rio	5⅝	5⅝
Bombay	1/6.11/64	1/6⅝
Yokohama	1/3⅝	1/3.3/16
Montevideo	30	30
Montreal	3.82½	3.75¾
War Loan	98¾	98.13/16
Belgrade	247½	245
Silver (spot)	16.13/16	16½
Silver (forward)	16.13/16	16.9/16

—*British Wireless.*

MR. WANG CHING-WEI.

NANKING PREMIER WANTS SICK LEAVE EXTENDED

Nanking, Dec. 27.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, President of the Executive Yuan, who is on leave, has telegraphed the National Government from Germany asking the Central Authorities, to prolong his leave of three months which was granted to him at the time of his departure for Europe.

Mr. Wang pleads in his message that his health is still bad, which does not permit his return to China in the near future.—*Reuter.*

Mr. Wang Ching-wei is the leader of the Leftist Party and was successor to Mr. Sun Fo as the President of the Executive Yuan in Nanking early this year. Since his departure from Nanking his post has been taken up for the time being by Mr. T. V. Soong, who is concurrently the Finance Minister.

DAY BY DAY: NEWS IN BRIEF

A WOMAN IS THE MIGHTIEST POWER IN THE WORLD, AND IN HER HAND IT LIES TO GUIDE A MAN WHITHER GOD ALMIGHTY WOULD HAVE HIM GO.—*Ibsen.*

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The Earl and Countess of Harrowby were amongst the passengers who arrived in the Colony by the P. and O. liner Carthage yesterday.

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The Rev. F. E. ("Bobs") Ford, the Toc H. Padre, will preach at the Methodist Church, Wanchai, on Sunday morning next, and on January 8th he will preach at the Cathedral at Matins.

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Injuries to his head was received by a Chinese Lai Mai, aged 18, of 373, Reclamation Street, when a wooden trestle accidentally fell from the verandah of 328, Shanghai Street, striking him on the head.

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Cheung King, aged 49, of 34, Catchick Street, West Point, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries to his head as a result of falling from a motor lorry in Kennedy Town.

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At a meeting of the H.K. Practical Psychology Club at Lane Crawford's Restaurant at 6 p.m. on Friday, the speaker will be Mr. Victor K. Kwong, and the subject: "Some observations on Advertising and Business Psychology."

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Whist being driven along Lockhart Road in a motor lorry yesterday morning, a man named Ng Shing, aged 60, fell into the roadway and received injuries to his head and face. He was later removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

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A stable boy of the Volunteer Stables at Fanling was removed to the Kowloon Hospital on Tuesday night suffering from injuries to the lower part of his abdomen, inflicted by two men and two women during a quarrel on the railway line between Fanling and Sheung Shui on Tuesday afternoon.

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During the Christmas holidays, three cases of small-pox, one of diphtheria and four of meningitis were reported to the local Medical Officer of Health.

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The wedding will shortly take place between Mr. George Henry Bissinger, of the University Club, Manila, and Miss Winifred Allen Scott, 4109, N. Stevens Street, Tacoma, Wash., U.S.A.

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A member of the compradore's staff of the s.s. Solviken, Yiu Ah-tau, accidentally fell into a hatchway on board and received injuries to his head and left hip yesterday. Although not in a serious condition he was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

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The Postmaster General wishes to draw attention to the revised rates for the Saigon-Marseilles Air Mail Service published in the Mail Notice. The new rates are inclusive of all postage charges, and the service has been extended to include a special quarter ounce letter rate, postcards and printed papers, commercial papers and samples.

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The death occurred on Tuesday afternoon at the Royal Naval Hospital, of Petty Officer Sterling of H.M.S. Veteran, who died of double pneumonia after a week's illness. The funeral, with full Naval honours, took place yesterday afternoon at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, being largely attended by officers and men from deceased's ship.

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Pun Tun-shui, *alias* Poon Ngoi-shan (or Sun), a retired merchant, late of 17, Fook On Street, Honam, Canton, who died on September 28th., 1918, left local estate valued at $44,100. Probate to the will was granted on January 24th, 1920, to his widow, Pun Chan-shi, who died on January 21st, 1931, intestate and leaving part of the estate unadministered. Letters of administration *cum testamento annexo de bonis non* have now been granted to Pun Hung-po, 6, High Street, and Pun Pik-lun, 127, Des Voeux Road West.

RADIO BROADCAST

PIANO RECITAL FROM THE STUDIO

From Z. B. W. on wave-length of 355 metres (845 k/c).

5-8 p.m. European programme.

5-6 p.m.

A relay of the Reveller's Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden by courtesy of the Management (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio).

6-7.40 p.m. A programme of Victor and H.M.V. records.

6-6.23 p.m. Operatic.

Song—Trovatore—Fierce Flames are Soaring! (Verdi).
Song—Samson et Dalila—My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice (Saint-Saens).
Louise Homer (Contralto). 1422.
Band—Mefistofele—Prologue (Boito, arr. Creatore).
Band—Selections from Mefistofele (Boito, arr. Creatore).
Creatore's Band: 35971.
Song—Rigoletto—'Mid the Fair Throng (Verdi).
Song—Don Pasquale—Fond Dream of Love (Donizetti).
Tito Schipa (Tenor). 1282.

6.23-6.50 p.m. A Concert.

Song—Margaret at the Spinning Wheel (Schubert).
Maria Jeritza (Soprano). 6704.
Piano Solo—Variations on Themes from Carmen (Bizet-Horowitz).
Piano Solo—Mazurka in C Sharp Minor (Chopin).
Vladimir Horowitz. 1327.
Song—Out of the Night (Lidgey).
Song—The Yeoman's Wedding (Poniatiwski).
Percy Homing (Baritone). E437.
Violin Solo—Gypsy Caprice (Kreisler).
Violin Solo—Shepherd's Madrigal (Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler. 6712.

7 p.m.

(Closing Local Stock Quotations, Selected London and New York Stock Quotations, etc.).

6.50-7.40 p.m. Variety.

Selection—Puttin' on the Ritz.
New Mayfair Orchestra. C1893.
Song—The Moon is Low.
Frank Luther (Tenor). 22330.
Fox Trot—If It Ain't Love.
Leo Reisman & His Orchestra. 24011.
Organ Solo—A Little Kiss Each Morning.
Reginald Foort. B3324.
Negro Spiritual Medley.
Paul Robeson with Jack Hylton & His Orchestra. C2287.
Selection—Dear Love.
New Mayfair Orchestra. C1792.
Selection—Happy Days.
New Mayfair Orchestra. C1893.
Song—What is This Thing Called Love?
Frank Luther (Tenor). 22330.
Fox Trot—Night Shall be Filled With Music.
Leo Reisman & His Orch. 24011.
Organ Solo—If I Had a Talking Picture.
Reginald Foort. B3324.

7.40-8 p.m. From the Studio.

A Pianoforte recital by Mr. Frank Taylorson.

Programme.

1. Etude in C Sharp Minor (Scriabine).
2. Asphodel (Cyril Scott).
3. Night in May (Palmgren).
4. Clair de Lune (Debussy).
5. La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin (Debussy).
6. Valse Romantique (Debussy).

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.3-10.30 p.m. Chinese Concert from the Studio.

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.35 p.m. Close Down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co.

The Studio programme between 5.30 and 7.15 p.m. may, on any day be replaced by a relay from England, if reception of the latter happens to be good.

EMPIRE PROGRAMME.

The programmes are broadcast by GSD, Daventry on a wave-length of 25.28 metres (11,865 kilo-cycles).

5.30 p.m. Time Signal from Big Ben. Pianoforte recital.

6 p.m. The Art of Reading: The Poetry of Reality—Wordsworth, by Mr. Desmond MacCarthy.

6.30 p.m. Gramophone records of popular Chamber Music.

7.15 p.m. News Bulletin.

KZRM PROGRAMME.

To-day's Broadcast from the Manila station:

5.00 p.m.—Studio Music.
5.45 p.m.—Health Talk by Dr. Rebecca Parish.
6.00 p.m.—Studio Music.
6.10 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.
6.30 p.m.—English Informational Period.
7.00 p.m.—Benavides Radio Club.
7.30 p.m.—Studio Requests.
7.45 p.m.—Rockne Programme.
8.00 p.m.—L. R. Aguinaldo—New Year in Bohemia—Maria Ripoll.
8.30 p.m.—Apo Cement Programme Lopez Luna.
8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations.
8.50 p.m.—Ibanag Programme—Maximo Lazo and Atanacio Vargas.
9.20 p.m.—Rizal Anniversary Programme.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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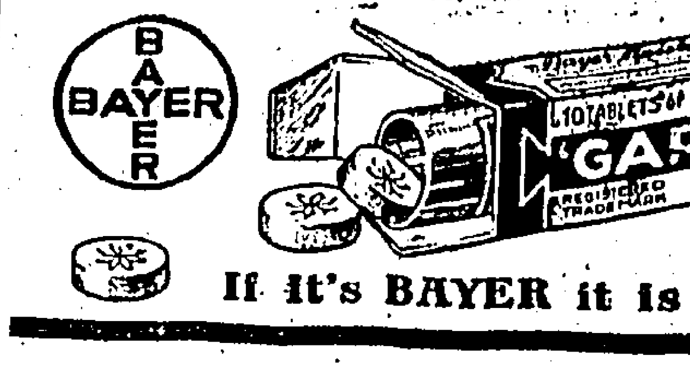

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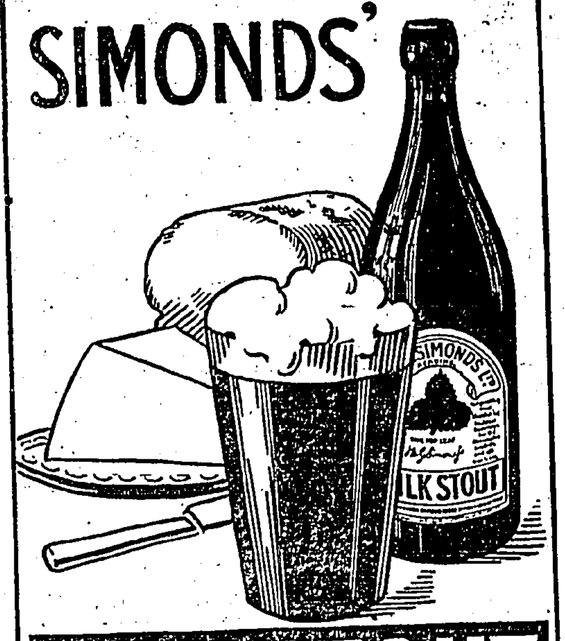

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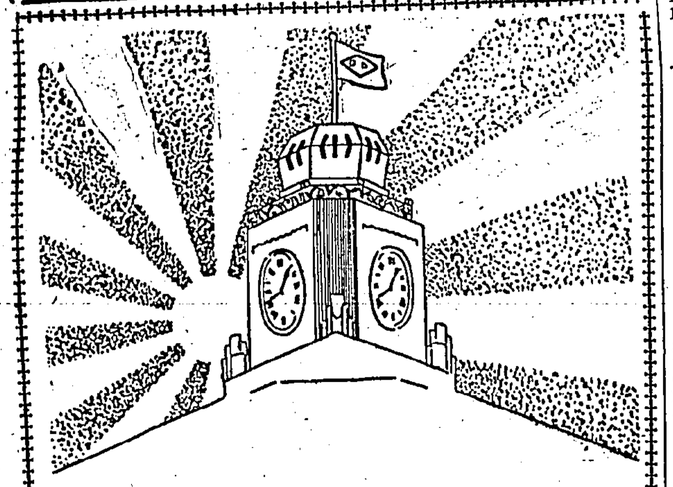

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G. Duckworth

AUSTRALIA

Australia's chosen may be:
W. M. Woodfull
H. Ponsford
D. G. Bradman
W. Fingleton
S. McCabe
W. Oldfield
C. Grimmett
L. P. O'Brien
R. Oxenham
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THE second Test match between England and Australia starts at Melbourne tomorrow.

This will also be the 29th encounter between the two countries on this magnificent ground, where records of every description have been set up.

Both Australia and England have built up glorious traditions and achieved remarkable performances on this enclosure, and with excitement and interest at fever pitch, one of the greatest cricket matches of all time is promised during the forthcoming week.

England go to Melbourne, not only happy in the knowledge that they won the first Test, but that on this ground they have fully held their own. In their 28 Test visits to Melbourne, England have emerged successful a dozen times, and have drawn two others.

The first match of the official series was played on this enclosure, when Australia won by 45 runs, but in the same tour at Melbourne the visitors turned the table, winning by six wickets.

LAST MELBOURNE WIN.

The last time England won at Melbourne was in 1928-9, when A.P.F. Chapman and his men won the all-important third Test by three wickets.

The following is a synopsis of the results on the Melbourne enclosure:

1876-7—Australia won by 45 runs
England won by 4 wickets
1878-9—Australia won by 10 wickets
1881-2—Two matches drawn
1882-3—Australia won one wicket
England won inns and 27 runs

A new picture of N. W. Woodfull the Australian captain.

1884-5—England won ten wickets
England won inns and 98 runs
1891-2—Australia won by 54 runs
1894-5—England won 94 runs
England won by six wickets
1897-8—Australia won inns and 55 runs
Australia won by eight wickets
1901-2—Australia won by 229 runs
Australia won by 32 runs
1903-4—England won by 185 runs
Australia won by 218 runs
1907-8—England won by one wicket
Australia won by 308 runs
1911-12—England won by eight wickets
England won by inns and 225 runs
1920-1—Australia won inns and 91 runs
Australia won eight wickets
1924-5—Australia won 81 runs
England won by inns and 29 runs
1928-9—England won by three wickets
Australia won by five wickets

TEST RECORDS.

Melbourne probably boasts more Test records than any other ground in Australia. Here are a few, many of which may easily be upset during the approaching match.

The second highest aggregate made by England against Australia was compiled there in 1911-12, when 589 runs were scored in a single innings. This was the best achievement by the English cricketers until 1928-9, when the new figures of 636 were established at Sydney.

Melbourne always draws huge attendances. For the third Test there in 1928-9, no less than 262,467 people attended, which is easily a record, the next best being at Melbourne in 1924-5, when at the second Test 239,175 watched England lose.

Herbert Sutcliffe has been one of the happiest of English cricketers on the Melbourne turf. Altogether he has scored four Test centuries there, including one in each innings in 1924-5.

Walter Hammond scored 200 there in 1928-9, and Leyland, another member of the present team, registered his first century in Australia at Melbourne in 1928-9.

Melbourne has seen Test Match "hat-tricks" on four occasions, Bates accomplishing it for England in 1882, and Spofforth in 1878 and H. Trumble in 1901 and 1903 for Australia.

England's record first wicket partnership was established at Melbourne, when in 1911 J.B. Hobbs and W. Rhodes put on 323 before separation. The same ground also saw D.G. Bradman and A. Kippax set up the Australian 5th wicket partnership record of 183 in 1928-9.

It is with these glorious achievements as a background that England and Australia meet again to-morrow. The result is of prime importance, as a win for England means that the "ashes" are almost a certainty.

No indication has yet been made as to the probable composition of the English side, although it is likely that Tate will come in to assist Larwood in the attack to the possible exclusion of verity.

Ames batting failure in the first Test may also mean that Duckworth will be preferred behind the stumps. Otherwise it is fair to assume that the English team will remain unchanged from the Sydney Test composition.

Australia, in selecting thirteen for the final choice, has left out Nagel and Kippax, who disappointed and brought in Oxenham and O'Brien. Don Bradman is certain to play to-morrow, and it is possible that Ironmonger and Richardson will be dropped in the final selection.

DON BRADMAN.

GOOD CRICKET

NAVY IN SOUND POSITION

ARMY HAVE TO FOLLOW ON

The Navy obtained a winning grip on the game when they met the Army in the Triangular Cricket Tournament at the Hongkong Cricket Club ground yesterday, and at the close of play had forced their opponents to follow on against a score of 196.

Three players were responsible for this. Lt.-Comdr. J. R. Shaw first of all smote the Army bowling to all parts of the field to score 83 in a little over half an hour, and later Marine Jemmett and PayLt-Comdr. Yates skittled out the Army for a paltry 86.

Jemmett sent down only 28 balls, but with these he obtained 5 wickets for 13 runs.

Yates, in bowling 11 overs, of which three were maidens, conceded 21 runs for his three wickets.

The Army made a better showing when they followed on 110 runs in arrears, and at the close had hit off 81 for the loss of two wickets. Capt. Mirehouse played the bowling with confidence to score 33 before being stumped by Shaw, and Lieut. Garthwaite was well set with 27 to his credit and still unbeaten.

SCORES:

Navy. 1st innings:—196 (Lieut.-Comdr. Shaw 83).

ARMY.—1ST INNINGS.

B. M. Trowt, c and b Yates	4
Cpl. Davies, l.b.w., b Yates	0
Lt. Cragg, c Burnett, b Jemmett	8
Lt. Garthwaite, c Farnhill, b Jemmett	16
S/Sgt. Flood, b Jemmett	2
L/Cpl. Colledge, run out	9
Capt. Mirehouse, not out	18
Sig. Chaffey, b Yates	4
Pte. Dewey, b Eaden	5
Lt. Col. Marsden, c Eaden, b Jemmett	0
Lt. Young, b Jemmett	0
Extras	14
Total	86

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Yates	11	3	21	2
Eaden	12	3	33	1
Jemmett	4.4	1	13	5
Marsham	3	1	6	–

ARMY.—2ND INNINGS.

Lt. Col. Marsden, c Shaw, b Jemmett	19
Capt. Mirehouse, st. Shaw, b Yates	33
Lt. Garthwaite, not out	27
Lt. Cragg, not out	2
Total (for 2 wkts.)	81

Stan McCabe, Australia's brilliant all-round cricketer, who played a magnificent game in the first Test.

COMPETITORS in the Machine Gun Troop steeplechase at the Christmas meeting of the Fanling Race and Hunt Club are seen here taking a hurdle and the water jump hazard. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

ANOTHER THRASHING FOR R.A.O.C.

Police Net Four Times Without Reply

In the only Mamuk Tournament game played yesterday the police defeated the Royal Army Ordinance Corps by four goals to nil.

Only one goal was scored in the opening half and play was even but after the interval the Police had things very much their own way and netted three more. The scorers were Pile, Pennell, K. Singh and Gulam Mohamed.

LEAGUE TABLE.

Up to and including yesterday's games:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Radio	13	12	1	0	54	8	25
Royal Signals 1st. H.K.S.	15	11	2	2	52	15	24
Battery	11	10	1	0	51	9	21
Medway	13	6	5	2	27	14	17
R.A.S.C.	16	6	4	6	23	24	16
St. Andrew's	10	7	1	2	36	11	15
Incognitos	7	7	0	0	27	3	14
Police	8	5	2	1	17	10	12
R.A.M.C.	15	3	5	7	15	25	11
'Varsity	9	5	0	4	17	20	10
Royal Engineers	14	4	1	8	13	32	9
Phoenix	9	3	3	3	16	17	9
12th Battery	9	4	1	4	16	13	9
Tamar	12	3	2	7	13	24	8
Wishart	5	3	0	2	10	15	6
Parthian	6	3	0	3	13	13	6
Veteran	5	2	0	3	4	7	4
24th Battery	8	1	2	5	7	21	4
German Club	10	2	0	8	8	37	4
29th Battery	9	1	1	7	3	19	3
Destroyers	2	0	1	1	3	4	1
K.I.T.C.	13	0	1	12	7	51	1
R.A.O.C.	11	0	1	10	0	37	1

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Tamar Marines Defeat R.A.O.C.

STONECUTTERS' MATCH.

A shooting match took place at Stonecutters Range yesterday between the Royal Marines of H.M.S. Tamar and the Royal Army Ordnance Corps. The conditions of the match were a sighter and five to count at 200, 500, and 600 yards.

Scores:

Royal Marines.	200	500	600	Total.
Capt. Burgess R.M.	18	18	20	56
Clr. Sgt. Branton	17	17	15	49
Sgt. Dyble	22	22	21	65
Opl. Spray	15	20	19	54
Marine Terry	20	18	19	57
Marine Willows	20	21	23	64
Total				345

R.A.O.C.	200	500	600	Total
Sgt. Major Anderson	17	19	15	51
St. Sgt. Farquhar	18	22	17	57
St. Sgt. Clarke	22	23	18	63
Sgt. Chapelle	18	23	24	65
Sgt. Emery	19	22	20	61
Sgt. Smith	12	12	16	40
Total				337

LADIES' GOLF.

The following is the draw for the Taggart Cup to be played over the New Course, Fanling:

Miss Curtin v. Mrs. C. B. Brown; Miss Robinson v. Mrs. Valentine; Miss Phillipowsky v. Mrs. Lissaman; Miss Grahame v. Mrs. Stafford Smith; Mrs. Rodgers v. Mrs. Munro; Mrs. Roberts v. Mrs. Syme Thomson; Mrs. Sheldon v. Mrs. Mackenzie; Mrs. Roffey v. Mrs. Railton.

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BLOCK OF FLATS

TO AID FUNDS OF TUNG WAH HOSPITAL

An interesting ceremony took place yesterday, when the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, laid the foundation stone of a block of flats to be built by the Tung Wah Hospital Committee on the site occupied by the old Po Leung Kuk.

The houses are to be erected for the purpose of bringing in funds to wipe off the deficit with which the Tung Wah Hospital is faced each year. The rent roll, it is estimated, will bring in about $20,000 per year.

The work of construction has been undertaken by Messrs. Kin Cheong.

Mr. Hallifax's Speech.

The Hon. Mr. Hallifax said:

Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Ladies and Gentlemen,—I am always glad to be publicly associated with the work of our old charitable Committees, but I have never before to-day had an opportunity of dealing with two of them at once.

The Tung Wah Hospital and the Po Leung Kuk are, I think, our two oldest, and while their duties are very properly kept clearly distinct, to-day affords a unique example of the harmony with which they always work.

This plot of ground was originally granted by the Government to the Tung Wah Hospital for use as a hospital—that was in 1895; but the next year, 1896, we find that the Tung Wah had lent it to the Po Leung Kuk without asking anybody—even the Government. The Po Leung Kuk Committee found money and built the institution which has for all these years done such good work on this site. Having outgrown it and removed to the magnificent new premises at Soo Kun Po, the Committee handed back the site and all the buildings on it to the Tung Wah Hospital. But that did not restore the old position, even if the Tung Wah Hospital had not sacrificed their original claim to the ground by giving it irregularly to the Po Leung Kuk; for the Tung Wah Hospital has also developed a new hospital building at Soo Kun Po (incidentally near enough to the new Po Leung Kuk to preserve all the old relations) and does not require this land for the direct purposes of a hospital any more.

For Revenue Producing.

But our expenditure has gone up, quite apart from the higher standard and the additional accommodation afforded by the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital, and we want this ground to help us in providing revenue to meet our bills. And that is where the Government came in—another party to this successful co-operative system. H.E. the Governor recommended that the area should be used by the Tung Wah Hospital for revenue producing purposes. The Secretary of State approved without hesitation; and it was something of a relief to see the old irregularities so readily condoned and, indeed, new and wider privileges granted, in well-earned recognition of the work of both institutions. And then the Tung Wah Hospital Committee appears again to do the real hard work—and that is why I like being associated with the Colony's charitable committees, because they always do all the real hard work. With a minimum of delay Mr. Chan Lim-pak and his colleagues have brought us to the point we have reached to-day, when I have had the honour of laying this foundation stone, which in a very few years' time will mean an addition to the revenue of the Hospital of over $20,000 per annum.

Taking Stock.

The matter of watching our Revenue has become, in the circumstances of to-day, a more than usually important one, and I would like to refer to it rather more fully.

For years now the Tung Wah Hospital has been incurring large additional capital expense in the cause of Hongkong charity at all its three large hospitals; but with the completion of the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital, which we hope His Excellency the Governor will open to-morrow, the Committee can fairly say that they have reached a stage where they should pause and take stock of their resources. All our developments mean extra annual expenditure—not only for extra patients, but, with the higher standards which general progress has insisted upon, for each and every separate patient. I believe the Chinese community has such complete faith in the Tung Wah Committee that it will answer any call that the Committee decides to make; but I wonder whether we cannot reduce those calls, and do it without in any way outraging the charitable instincts for which the Chinese people are so remarkable?

Too Much Charity.

An obvious method, of course, is to concentrate for a time on our revenue and endowment. A good start has been made to-day, and I should like to see the rest of this site covered with buildings that will help us out still further. But there is the more important and difficult question of the old Tung Wah Hospital itself. Its life is nearly done, and reconstruction must very shortly be taken in hand; but the nature of the reconstruction is the problem. If you had twenty such free hospitals in the Colony you would no doubt be able to fill them all; but I would ask the Committee and the community to harden its charitable heart just a very little, and to ask whether we are not being exploited to some degree. Are there not many patients in our hospitals who should not be there at all—who at the most should be out-patients only? Are there not a number of others who can well afford to pay? And are there not others still who would be anxious to pay some small fee—even 10 or 20 cents a day; less than the cost of a day's food—if the opening was only brought to the notice of all patients? I would not have anyone pressed to pay; I only suggest that they should be given the opportunity.

Reduction of Patients.

My conclusions, as concerns the old hospital, are that we cannot and need not for a long time consider the reconstruction of a large hospital on the site. Something is required, no doubt, but a lot of the ground can be sacrificed and used, with permission, for revenue purposes, though I would not under circumstances contemplate alteration of the old Tung Wah Hall with its wealth of tradition. A smaller hospital here, on more modern lines, would meet all immediate needs; but the bulk of the work should in my view centre for the future in Tung Wah Eastern Hospital. Here, and there, and in the Kwong Wah especially, the number of patients, can, I believe, properly be reduced, and perhaps the revenue assisted to a small extent by action along the lines I have indicated; and I feel quite sure that the Committee which initiates such action—it will take courage—will be acclaimed not as hard-hearted but as faithful guardians of the cause of true charity.

To the honour of laying this stone has been added the opportunity of expressing my personal views, and I fear I have taken full advantage of them. But I too as Secretary for Chinese Affairs, have a share in the co-operation of our charities; and my anxiety is to help in raising to a still higher point of efficiency the very effective work that the Tung Wah Hospital has steadily done from the day of its foundation."

AIR TO AFRICA.

SIR ERIC GEDDES MAKES INSPECTION TOUR

London, Dec. 28.

Sir Eric Geddes, Chairman of Imperial Airways, left London yesterday on a flying visit to stations on the London-Capetown air route. He will visit Rome en route to discuss with the Italian authorities questions arising out of operations on the international air services.

The Imperial Airways African route has been operated with great success, traffic during the past three months increasing by approximately 50 per cent. The Air mail is flying with a reliability of 99 per cent. in northern sections of the African route and 100 per cent. in the South. Sir Eric Geddes said the British taxpayers, in their assistance of civil aviation, were obtaining better results than those of any other country.—*British Wireless.*

POPULAR OFFICER

POLICE PAY TRIBUTE TO C.D.I. REYNOLDS

Chief Detective Inspector A. N. Reynolds, who will leave for Home on Saturday on retirement, was the guest of honour at an informal dinner at the Police Recreation Club last night.

Hon. Mr. E. D. C Wolfe, I.G.P., presided, others present including Mr. T. H. King, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. J. A. Fraser, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Mr. F. H. Loseby, Mr. J. C. Fitzhenry, and Inspector F. E. E. Booker (Chairman of the Club.)

Mr. Wolfe said Inspector Reynolds, was leaving after 23 years' arduous service with the Police. It was hard, he said to part with him at this time as he was an extremely capable officer and the Force would be sorry to lose him.

Serving in the Force until 1915, C.D.I. Reynolds left to join up in the war and came back to Hongkong in 1919 unscathed and accompanied by a wife. He joined the C.I.D. in 1923 and since then had won several medals and special commendations. Apart from Police duties, C.D.I. Reynolds was "one of the best," and was well-liked in the Force (Applause). As a mark of their esteem, the members of the Police Recreation Club had presented him with a radio gramophone.

The health of the guest was then drunk with musical honours.

In reply, C.D.I. Reynolds thanked the gathering and Mr. Wolfe for his flattering remarks Whatever he had done during the time he was in the Force was made possible only through the co-operation of the men on the staff. He had received every possible aid from them; he had sought their advice and it was always forthcoming. He had also to thank the co-operation of the Chinese staff, whose work, he said, was not always fully appreciated.

The speaker concluded by drinking to the health of all those present.

In a witty speech, Inspector Shaftain welcomed the guests of the evening, while Mr. Wynne-Jones suitably replied.

Inspector William Shannon, of the Criminal Intelligence Department at Police Headquarters, has been promoted to the rank of Acting Chief Detective Inspector, in succession to Mr. A. N. Reynolds.

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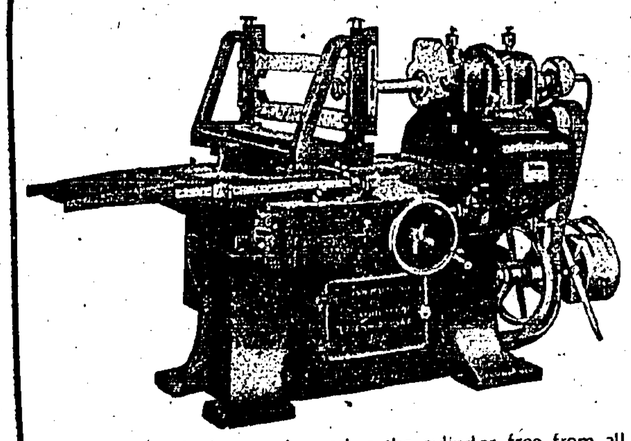

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"Inestimable good work could be done for the youth of this Colony, if the importance of infant welfare could be brought home to the proprietors of our factories and workshops. Special accommodation for the small children of the labourers during working hours would undoubtedly save many lives and alleviate much suffering."

These words were used by Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton yesterday afternoon at the annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children.

The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow presided and seated around him at the presidential table were Hon. Mr. Shenton, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C.

In moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, Sir Shouson Chow said: This report gives a detailed account of the Society's work during the past year and it therefore does not seem necessary for me to do more than speak briefly on some aspects of the Society's work.

In the first place I feel that I should express the Society's thanks to all those whose generous support has enabled it to carry on its work.

Financial Position.

The financial position of the Society has at times during the year given the Executive Committee cause for anxiety, and the Society did in fact end its financial year with a deficit of over $4,000.00 on the year's working. However, we have received since the end of the financial year, three very substantial contributions which have more than wiped out the deficiency. I refer to a gift of over $600 from the Hongkong University Arts Association, $5,000 from the directors of the Tung Wah Hospital as part of the proceeds of theatrical performances held at the Ko Shing Theatre and a sum of $3,340, realized by the dance held at the Hotel Cecil.

Though the Society may at times feel that its income is precarious and that there is no certainty of being able to meet the year's expenditure, one cannot help feeling that the public of the Colony must realize the importance of the Society's work and will not turn a deaf ear to the needs of suffering children.

In the second place I wish to thank the honorary officers of the Society upon whose gratuitous services the organization of the Society's work depends.

It is an interesting fact that the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee and all three of the Branch Honorary Secretaries are members of the legal profession, which seems to indicate that lawyers are not quite the hard-hearted persons they are generally believed to be.

And finally, I wish to pay a public tribute to the work of the Society's Inspectors without whom nothing could be achieved. Few people can realize the strain entailed by making the hundreds of supervision visits which are necessary if the Society's work is to be effective.

Work Extending.

You will have noticed in the Report that the Society's work has expanded greatly during the year and that it dealt with 881 fresh cases as compared with 333 in the previous year.

We have now three branches: one for Western Hongkong, one for Eastern Hongkong and one for Kowloon.

The branches for Eastern Hongkong and Kowloon were only started just before the beginning of the year but they have nevertheless dealt with 224 and 274 cases respectively.

So large a district as that covered by the Kowloon branch is really much too big for a single Inspector to cope with but the lack of funds prevents the Society from sub-dividing this district.

I do not think that anyone who has considered the facts stated in the Annual Report can for one moment doubt the need for the existence of the Society or the need for expansion of its work, and I would take this opportunity of appealing to the public in general to give more financial support to the Society in order that the very necessary expansion may be effected. It is pleasant to obtain substantial sums from theatrical performances and the like but an income from such sources is very precarious and there is a most urgent need for a sure revenue from annual subscribers.

The year has, in a sense, been a red letter year in matters concerning child welfare. One may say that the Society has for the first time had an organization sufficiently large to cope with the more urgent needs of the children—very necessary legislation namely, the Juvenile Offenders' Ordinance, the Industrial and Reformatory Schools' Ordinance and a new Factories and Workshops' Ordinance, have been placed on the Statute Book —and most important of all, the Government has established in Lockhart Road the first official Infant Welfare Centre.

Welfare Centre.

The Welfare Centre was established only seven months ago, but in that seven months there were three thousand six hundred and forty-six attendances. No stronger evidence could be required that parents are most anxious to avail themselves of all facilities provided for obtaining treatment and advice for the benefit of their children.

The infantile mortality rate among the children of the poor is terribly high. Probably not more than fifty out of every hundred children born survive the first year. The causes are over crowding, lack of sufficient and proper food, and ignorance in matters of hygiene and care of children.

The Society is doing its utmost to ensure that every child receives sufficient and proper food and medical attention, and Welfare Centres are the surest means of educating in matters of hygiene and care of children. It is hoped that when the Government sees the success of the Lockhart Road Centre it will proceed to establish further Centres in Western Hongkong and in Kowloon. One may hope that by this means there may be effected a substantial reduction in the infantile mortality rate.

Overcrowding Problem.

The problem of over-crowding is one which cannot well be dealt with by private enterprise or by any charitable organization, and it is hoped that during the coming year the Government may give serious consideration to the question of dealing with the older and more congested parts of the Colony. The fight against disease, and particularly against tuberculosis, is well nigh hopeless while the present conditions of overcrowding continue. This is a matter which concerns not only the poor but also the whole community—because congested slums are the breeding places of disease and thus endanger everybody.

I now move that the report and accounts for the past year be adopted, and in calling upon the Honourable Mr. Shenton to second this motion, I desire to express my thanks to him for his services as Chairman of the Executive Committee during the past year. Mr. Shenton is a very busy man but despite heavy claims on his time he has been unfailing in his attention at the meetings of the committee. (Applause).

Mr. Shenton's Speech.

In seconding the motion, Mr. Shenton said: It is my privilege to-day to second the report and accounts. It is somewhat invidious for me, the Chairman of the Executive Committee, to assume this role, but as so much of the real work has been done by our honorary secretaries our honorary branch secretaries, I have little diffidence in doing so.

The year under review has been an interesting one because of the all round increase of our field of operations and by reason of the advance made by the Government of this Colony in the realm of infant welfare legislation. We hope soon to see the Juvenile Court sitting and special accommodation for young offenders whilst on remand. The new factory legislation is a step in the right direction and, if judicially enforced, must bring relief to many women and young girls.

We are much indebted to the St. Louis Industrial School and the Street Boys' Club for the assistance we have received and the good work they are doing and we look forward to welcoming the Silesian Fathers and their laudable effort in the interests of the youth of this Colony.

Work of Sisters.

Much good works is being done by the Hospital and Clinic of the Chinese Sisters at Shamshuipo and it has been one of our objects to assist them with medical stores and milk foods.

The opening of the Government Welfare Clinic in Lockhart Road is a step in the right direction and we hope to see, before long, similar clinics in other parts of Victoria and at Kowloon. The use that is already being made of this institution clearly indicates its necessity, and the appreciation it has met with by the poor people.

Inestimable good work could be done for the youth of this Colony if the importance of infant welfare could be brought home to the proprietors of our factories and workshops. Special accommodation for the small children of the labourers during working hours would undoubtedly save many lives and alleviate

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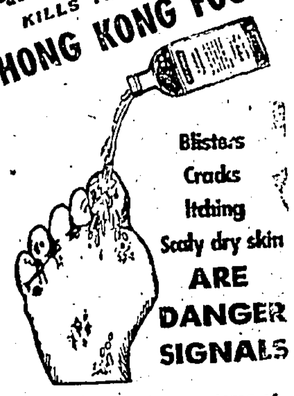

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"WEEK-END MURDER"

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a face turned toward her. Cousin Amos! A step forward, and she was kneeling beside him, tremblingly smoothing that drawn, —throw—" She was sure she had caught that last faint gasp. Someone had been there—he had not fallen—!

Instantly she was on her feet. Grief and fury banished any thought of fear. She mustn't stay here—she couldn't help Cousin Amos now—or ever—except by finding who was up there. She was flashing through the central hall, a quick streak of crimson jersey and tanned flesh. Up the stairs—no attempt now to hide her flying steps. His door was exactly as she had left it, barely ajar. No one had come out! She pushed it open and went in.

A silent, empty room. Straight through Linda went, her mind on one thing only, toward the open casement. She glimpsed the green lawn and beyond the blue water of the Sound. She even noticed, subconsciously, that Tom had turned back and was almost to the float. But nearest of all she saw a broken, torn railing, the top bar wrenched apart, the narrow, graceful spindles careening drunkenly in every direction. She did not know whom she expected to see but there was no one on the balcony. The shock of it brought her to a rigid stop. She came to herself—she must go back, call Tom.

She started to turn and in that second caught a dark blur moving behind her. Linda had never consciously screamed. Now she could not—yet her throat constricted and her mouth opened in silent, awful pantomime which would have been a scream had breath been there to release it.

A cloth thrown around her neck from behind prevented the sound and, twisted tightly, prevented also her turning head or body to see her assailant. She jerked forward, clutching at the air. As she flung back her head, gasping for breath, she had a vague impression of seeing Tom, miles away, climbing on to the raft. Then water, air and land blurred and darkened and seemed to rush blackly at her with a horrible, dizzy roar. Suddenly, as the roaring grew unbearable, the tension was broken. Air came back to the gasping lungs—yet not quite in time. She swayed, unconscious, on her feet and pitched heavily forward into abyssmal blackness.

(To be continued.)

FIGURES TALK

EXPENDITURE LESS AND HIGHER RECEIPTS

London, Dec. 28.

Revenue returns last night show that with one week still to run to complete the first nine months of the financial year, expenditure, excluding self-balancing items is £9,028,971 less, and revenue £13,946,000 more than for the corresponding period of last year.

Newspapers regard the return as indicating a good outlook for the Budget. Income tax has so far produced £64,541,000, but the bulk of the tax will be collected during the next three months and a sum of nearly £200,000,000 falls due for payment in January.

The Higher revenue is largely due to an increase of £27,000,000 in Customs receipts, while receipts from estate duties show an increase of £8,000,000. There has been a fall in income tax receipts of £7,562,000 and in surtax receipts by £6,180,000.

The principal cause of the decline in expenditure was a saving of £19,120,767 in interest and the management of the National debt, which results from the Government's successful conversion operations. Payment to America of the debt instalment on December 15 was not provided for in the Budget. It is offset by decreases in sinking fund and will not be added to the expenditure account.—*British Wireless.*

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1931	19,194,867	34,075,565	56%	9.33%	0.765%	255,291	146,825
						$373,905	$269,141
							373,905
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Assets	$12,341,726.31
Land and Buildings at cost	3,351,055.84
Cash	1,844,259.11
Mortgages on Real Estate held by Company December 31, 1931	$5,971,200
Total Debenture issue December 31, 1931	4,840,700

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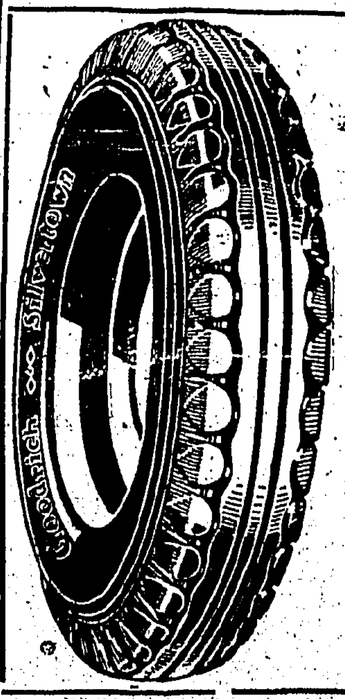

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much suffering. I believe it only requires a little propaganda in this direction to accomplish a great deal.

General unemployment will, I feel certain, cause us great concern in the coming year and some manner of Government organised relief will possibly be called for. What form it should take is a matter for Government enquiry and careful consideration.

Turning now to the accounts for a few moments. They are satisfactory so far as they go, but if we are to meet the increasing demand that we find on all sides we shall require many more subscribers and a lot more donations. The Government have come forward with a generous offer on a dollar for a dollar basis and it behoves the community to take up the challenge and meet it in the spirit in which it was made.

Appreciation.

In conclusion, as I shall shortly be relinquishing the chairmanship of the Executive Committee, I should like to take this opportunity of thanking all the officers of our society for the useful and hard work which they have given us and the beneficial services they have rendered to the community. An appreciation of the work done by our honorary secretary Mr. Hazelrigg is well stated at the end of our report and to this expression of our feelings I should like to add the names of the other members of our honorary secretarial staff, our honorary treasurers, our honorary auditors and our inspectors.

I should also like to thank the members of the Executive Committee for their advice and assistance and the members of the medical profession for the large amount of voluntary medical work they have done for the society.

Lastly, to all those who are interested in the lives of the little children of this Colony, I commend to their careful perusal, our report for the year and particularly the specimen cases.

The motion was carried.

Election of Officers.

On the motion of the Hon. Dr. Ts'o, the following office-bearers for the forthcoming year were elected: President, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow; vice-Presidents, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, O.B.E., honorary vice-Presidents, Sir Cecil Clementi, G.C.M.G., Mr. Wai Shiu-pak, Miss G. A. Stephens; general committee, Chevalier J. M. Alves, Mr. A. el Arculli, the Rev. L. Banchio, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. J. D. Bush, Mr. Chan Heung-pak, Mr. Chan Lim-pak, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Dr. A. L. Dovoy, Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., Mr. Ho Kwong, Father D. Hourigan, Mr. Ho Sing-chau, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. Hung Hing-kam, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Dr. E. W. Kirk, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., Mrs. Kotewall, Mr. Kwok Siu-lau, Mr. Leung Pat-yu, Mr. Li Hoi-tung, Mr. Li Jowson, Mr. Li Yau-Tsun, C.B.E., Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. F. H. Loseby, Dr. A. McElney, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Dr. E. M. Minett, Mr. Mok Kon-sang, Mrs. Fred Mow-fung, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mr. Ng Wah, Dr. Phoon Seck-wah, Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Lady Pollock, Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mr. T. H. R. Shaw, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Miss Shin Tak-hing, Rev. Dean Swann, Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, Mr. Tam Woon-tong, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. Tong Yat-chuen, Mr. Tse Ka-po, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, O.B.E., Mrs. S. W. Ts'o, Rev. R. H. Waltz, O.B.E., Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. Wong Mau-lam, Mr. Wong Tak-kwong, Miss Foon-yee Catherine Woo, M.B.E.; executive committee, Chevalier J. M. Alves, Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mrs. Blair, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Dr. A. L. J. Dovey, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., Mr. Ho Kwong, Mrs. C. E. Holmes, Father D. Hourigan, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Dr. L. O. Hunter, Mr. Ip Fai-sui, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Dr. E. W. Kirk, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, Mr. Lam Yam-chuen, Dr. Li Shu-fan, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, C.B.E., Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. G. P. de Martin, M.B.E., Dr. A. McElney, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Dr. E. M. Minett, Mrs. Fred Mow-fung, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mrs. A. Nicholls, Dr. Phoon Seck Wah, The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Lady Pollock, Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mrs. Shenton, Miss Shin Tak-hing, Mr. Tam Shau-hong, Mr. Tam Woon-tong, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. Tong Yat-chuen, Miss Watts, Mr. J. M. Wong, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin.

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The offices of Chairman and vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee will be filled at the first committee meeting.

Tribute to Secretary.

"There is a recommendation I should like to make to the incoming committee" said Mr. Shenton. "Our honorary secretary, Mr. Hazlerigg was not only one of the de facto founders of our Society, but has been its mainspring ever since. I consider that the duties he performs call for a more imposing title than honorary secretary. In England, the officer holding a similar post in the Society which has the same objects as ours is called the Director and I suggest that a similar office should be created for Mr. Hazlerigg. (Applause.)

"I have pleasure in supporting the recommendation," said Mr. Kotewall. "As a past Chairman of the Executive Committee, I know how valuable have been Mr. Hazlerigg's services to the Society. Indeed, it is no exaggeration to say that he is the life and soul of the Society, and that to him more than to any other member is due the credit of the good work the Society has done, and the wonderful progress it has made. It would therefore be but fitting that he should be given a status more commensurate with the duties and responsibilities entrusted to him by the Committee."

The chairman put the recommendation in the form of a motion to the meeting and it was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. Chau Thanked.

Mr. Hazlerigg thanked the meeting for the honour it had done him. It was his intention to pass much of the detailed work on to the secretaries, leaving him to superintend affairs generally. He thanked Mr. Chau for his co-operation during the time they had worked together as joint secretaries.

Mr. Hazlerigg paid a tribute to the work of Sir Shouson Chow, the Society's first and only President. Each year he said, Sir Shouson Chow in his modesty asked to be allowed to resign, but members unanimously rejected his offer. His assistance and advice had always been invaluable.

LOCAL WEDDING.

MISS DORIS PUNCHEON WEDS MR. ROBERT MILLAR

A pretty wedding was solemnised in St. Andrew's Church yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Walton Rogers officiating, when Miss Doris Puncheon, daughter of Mr. J. Puncheon and the late Mrs. Puncheon, was married to Mr. Robert Millar, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Millar, of "Sanghrea", Rosewell, Midlothian, Scotland.

The bride arrived in church in a beautiful early Victorian gown of ivory blonde lace and net in floral design, her only ornament being a cameo brooch. She also wore a Victorian coronet of orange blossoms from which fell a handsome veil of Brussels net in oval design, daintily embroidered. The bridal gown was created by "Eunice".

Miss Puncheon was given away by her father, and was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Winifred Henderson and Miss Elsa Bell, who were dressed respectively in love-in-the-mist blue, and blush pink, embroidered organdie dresses.

Miss Joyce Crookdake was the flower girl, and wore an eau de nil organdie dress.

The matron of honour, Mrs. R. J. Goodman, was becomingly attired in an eau de nil angel skin lace dress, trimmed with French grey fox fur, with a hat to tone.

Mr. Leslie Calcraft fulfilled the duties of best man, while Mr. Rupert Baldwin presided at the organ.

The happy couple will be spending their honeymoon at Fanling and Tsingtau. The bride's going-away dress was of brown and beige ensemble, with hat to match.

A well attended reception was held in the Peninsula Hotel rose room after the ceremony at the church.

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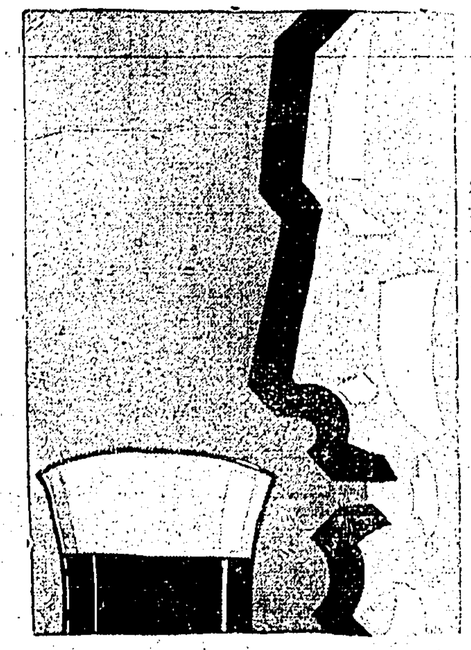

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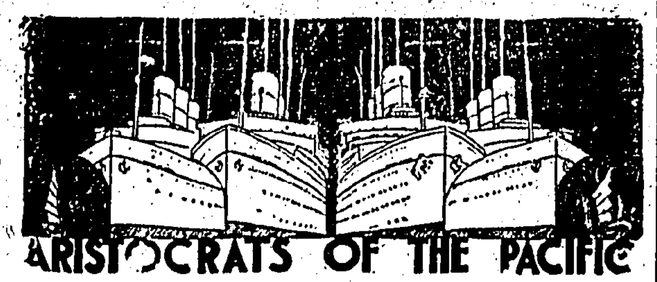

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By W. E. McKenney

One of the most pessimistic sign-off bids in the one over one system is a minimum re-bid of the same suit.

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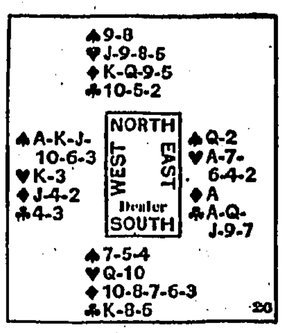

The Bidding.

South passed and West opened with one spade. While the hand contains only 2½ high card tricks, the six-card suit and the honours probably justify the bid.

North passed, and East bid three hearts, a game-demand force, and a strong slam invitation. West bid three spades, a sign-off bid, showing a suit of at least five cards, but no additional strength.

East now bid four clubs, a highly constructive bid, still urging West to proceed toward a slam if possible. West again denied any desire to continue, and bid four spades, a very strong sign off.

However, East now could count his partner for five or six spades headed by the ace-king, plus a king on the side, and short hearts and clubs, so he bid six spades in spite of West's warnings.

The Play.

North opened the king of diamonds and dummy won with the ace.

Declarer can insure his contract by taking the club finesse early, but must give up a possible extra trick, if South holds the club king. The extra trick is extremely important at duplicate play, and by careful timing of entries, the declarer can make it without the club finesse.

He led a small heart to his king at the second trick, and ruffed a diamond in dummy. He then led the ace and a small heart, ruffing with the three of spades.

The last diamond was ruffed in dummy, and another heart returned to be ruffed with the six of spades.

Now East drew all the trumps and dummy's established seven of hearts afforded a discard for the losing club.

By taking his tricks in exactly the right order, declarer made his small slam contract and an extra trick, winning a top on the deal.

Nanking, Dec. 28.

The Ministry of Industry has issued a notification to-day requiring all companies and limited liability corporations established according to Chinese company law, to register before the end o. June next year.—*Reuter.*

CINEMA SCREENINGS

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES

Hilarious antics . . . high-speed action . . . and a bevy of beautiful chorus girls provide excellent entertainment in "Speak Easily," Buster Keaton and Jimmy "Schnozzle" Durante's new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer comedy wich is playing from Sunday at the Queen's Theatre. The two comedians sent the audience into screams of laughter at their mad-cap antics during a wild theatrical venture in New York City. Keaton portrays the millionaire college professor who finances the show and Durante is Jimmy, the eccentric piano player who is his companion through the venture. The two comedians are assisted in their antics by Ruth Selwyn, sparkling in the feminine lead as Pansy Peets, small-time chorus girl, and Thelma Todd, who exercises her alluring blonde wiles on Buster and "Schnozzle" with devastating effects. Hedda Hopper scores in a "mama" role as Mrs. Peets, jealous guardian of Pansy, and Lawrence Grant is convincing as Dr. Bolton. The balance of the cast who capably fill their roles includes Sidney Toler as the stage manager, Henry Armetta as Tony, the acrobat, William Pawley and Edward Brophy. Edward Sedgwick demonstrated his years of experience with screen comedy in such productions as "Doughboys" and "The Passionate Plumber" by deftly blending all of the situations to obtain the funniest farce he has ever directed.

"While Paris Sleeps"

"See Paris and die", might well have been written "See Paris and live excitingly", if the stirring events pictured in "While Paris Sleeps," Fox melodrama soon opening at the King's Theatre, are true. Victor McLaglen, in the featured role, deserts for the first time his uniformed or heavy-lover characterisations to depict the devoted father of an innocent young girl thrown alone on the streets of Paris. Helen Mack red-headed debutante star of the current season, who enacts the daughter, gives an outstanding performance as her first featured contribution under the Fox banner. Thrills of both a visual and physical nature abound in the swift-moving drama which is told with the utmost realism. William Bakewell, prominent young juvenile, is seen as the heroic young lover of Miss Mack in the tender romance that motivates the story. Others of the supporting cast are Jack LaRue, Rita LaRoy, Maurice Black, Dot Farley, Lucille LaVerne and Paul Porcasi. Basil Woon wrote the original story which was transferred to the screen under the direction of Allan Dwan.

"Bring 'Em Back Alive"

There is one question which Frank Buck, noted collector and leader of the "Bring 'Em Back Alive" expedition, has had to answer so many times that he can always tell when it is coming. The question is: Will animals attack a human being without provocation? Mr. Buck has boiled his answer down to one word: Yes. In the twenty years of bringing jungle animals back alive which qualified Mr. Buck to lead the expedition which filmed the beasts in their native habitat, for RKO RADIO release, he has learned several cardinal points about animals. One is that it is foolish to generalize about animals. It is just as foolish to say that all elephants are kind as it is to say that all Scotsmen are thrifty. Some elephants—"rogues" they are called—cannot be equalled for savagery. As a class, elephants are tractable; but to say that they are all playful, friendly beasts, is ridiculous, according to Mr. Buck. By the same token it cannot be said that every tiger is a man-eater. As a matter of fact, man-eating tigers are perverts; either they have been made insane by some accident, or at some time in their history their food supply was cut off and they seized a toddling infant. Once a tiger has tasted human flesh, he never again is highly pleased with anything else. All this is not to say that a tiger will not kill a man when aroused. He will. But he does not seek human flesh until after he has tasted it. Indeed, the tiger like most other jungle animals, detests the human scent. Frank Buck has filmed some amazing scenes in "Bring 'Em Back Alive" which is now playing to capacity houses at the Central Theatre. It is the most amazing film ever made.

"The Unholy Garden"

An unshaven and dishevelled Ronald Colman, without his striped trousers, his Oxonian speech or his Chesterfieldian manners, is the not inconsiderable promise in "The Unholy Garden", the new Samuel Goldwyn picture which comes to the King's Theatre on Sunday next. In this adventure melodrama by Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur, Colman is seen as Barry Hunt, a gentleman adventurer, a rogue who has seen better days and honester ways. With a motley crew of murderers, thieves and other outcasts, he is hiding from the police in a Sahara outpost camp. One of the number, a wizened old Frenchman, is believed to have hidden his plunder somewhere upon the premises, and to worm this information from him is the individual and collective effort of the group. Spying and intrigue and flying desert rides and murders are essential ingredients of the yarn. Another flower has bloomed in Ronald Colman's garden of leading women. This time it is Fay Wray.

NEW PARTY FOR IRELAND.

INDEPENDENT MEMBERS' SUGGESTION

Dublin, Dec. 28.

Senator Vincent, Independent, in a letter to the principal newspapers declaring his hostility against Mr. de Valera, adds that the time has come when a new party should be formed embracing all the non-Republican elements. Mr. Vincent points out that Mr. Cosgrave's supporters have astounding achievements to their credit but are no longer capable of living in entity, while the Farmers Party has life and virility and is likely to win 20 to 30 seats at the next election.

A really national party ought to be formed, dissipating the old class and religious differences and generating a spirit of optimism and endeavour, he says, and therefore suggests that Mr. Cosgrave and Mr. MacDermott, the Farmers' leader, coalesce to give a real lead to the country.—*Reuter.*

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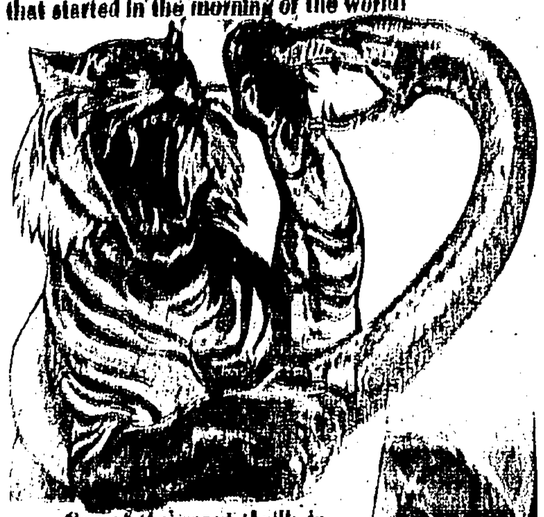

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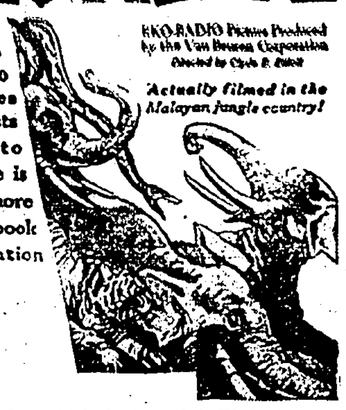

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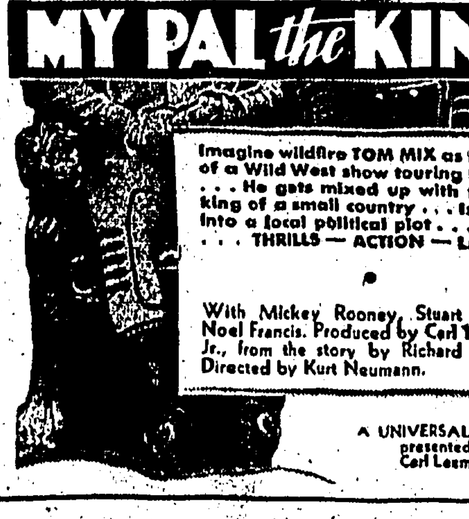

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'VARSITY FAREWELL.

MEDICAL SOCIETY HONOURS DR. S. T. HSUI

The Hongkong University Medical Society gave a farewell to Dr. S. T. Hsui, assistant to the Professor of Surgery, at the Student Union Assembly Room yesterday, prior to his departure in January to join the Henry Lester Institute of Research, Shanghai.

Professor W. L. Gerrard, President, spoke highly of the record of Dr. Hsui as a student in the University and his subsequent work with the Hospital. Professor R. T. Hide (Dean of the Medical Faculty) Dr. T. Y. Li, Dr. D. K. Sang also praised the work of Dr. Hsui in his association with the University and wished him success in Shanghai.

Mr. K. C. Lam, Chairman of the Society, said he represented the students to wish Dr. Hsui every success. He added that it was an honour that a member of the University had been appointed to such an envious position.

In his reply Dr. Hsui said:

Medical Research Work.

"When the offer of the Lester Institute came, I was confronted with its suddenness. It came at a time when I found teaching most interesting and I could not make up my mind rationally. However, in spite of its uncertainty the future with its alluring fascinations is all the more attracting for me to have a change. Instinctively I declined to chose the more adventurous route. Taking the common view of our profession, it seems that if one fails to make money one has to go to research. So it is, I am quite convinced that I shall never be able to make much money. It is therefore better to devote myself to research work. Doing research work is like hunting for gold mines in which many a clever man has struck rock and only the lucky one can achieve his aim.

"To the University and its staff I am much indebted. I have been given a very fair chance. I was brought to taste the rigidity of the British discipline but only now I realise I was treated very leniently. I hope my fellow students, and above all my compatriots, will understand that discipline must be upheld and resentment being a human weakness must give way. With discipline alone can any work be done and my firm belief is that in discipline alone lies the future of China."

MR. OGIER'S DEATH.

TRAGEDY AT KOWLOON DOCKS RECALLED

The enquiry into the death of Mr. Theodore Ogier, Chief Officer of the s.s. Kwongsai, whose body was found in a cabin in Kowloon Docks in the early hours of the morning of December 8, was continued at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon with Mr. Bateson sitting as Coroner. The jury empanelled consisted of Messrs. J. H. Shaw (foreman), Wong Chee-keong and P. W. Osborne.

Evidence was given by Dr. J. H. Mackay, who stated that death was caused by drowning and gave the opinion that the body could not have been in the water for less than six hours.

Mr. R. Owen, of the s.s. Chuping Chi, testified to seeing the deceased on the night of December 7.

The Coroner, at the conclusion, said the evidence given throughout the enquiry indicated that the deceased was sober when returning to the ship.

The jury agreed, and returned a verdict of "death by misadventure."

They further made the recommendation that guard rails or warning lights should be placed around the godown.

NEW CONSTITUTION

MR. SUN FO TO MAKE NEW DRAFT

Nanking, Dec. 27.

Discussing the programme of the Legislative Yuan for the next two years, a spokesman of the National Government stated today that Mr. Sun Fo, the newly appointed President of the Legislative Yuan, had announced his intention to complete the drafting of the new Constitution of the National Government during his tenure of office.

This statement is regarded as having very important bearing on future Chinese political developments.—*Reuter.*

A CHRISTMAS FETE.

POOR BOYS ENTERTAINED BY SALESIAN FATHERS

The Salesian Fathers of the West Point Recreation Club express their great indebtedness to the generous benefactors who assisted them in preparing a successful Christmas tree. On Christmas day the young people of the neighbourhood were much delighted in seeing a stupendous Christmas tree weighed down with innumerable attractive gifts.

Five hundred boys received with gratitude the annual prize which is given, corresponding to their attendance at the Recreation Club.

The news of the successful function spread like wildfire among the young people of the nearby streets, because on the same day about one thousand poor boys attended the evening entertainment, held for them in the St. Louis Industrial School grounds.

The Salesian Fathers, with feelings of deep gratitude, desire to convey their thanks especially to Mr. Hwen Hughes, Ch. J.M. Alves, Mr. H. Dixon, Mr. Robert Ho Tung, Mr. J. Walsh, Mr. T.H.H. Shaw, Mr. A.J. Reed, Mr. C. Arnulphy, Mr. A. Vannini, Mr. H. Boffa, Miss B. Serrant, Messrs. Botelho Bros., the Sincere Company, and to all other benefactors who contributed in any way towards the success of the fete.

NANKING CONTROL

SIAN ELEVATED TO MUNICIPALITY

Nanking, Dec. 28.

The C.P.C. to-day decided to make Sian, China's western capital, a municipality to be placed under direct control of the Executive Yuan.

A monthly appropriation of $80,000 has been granted for the development of Sian.—*Reuter.*

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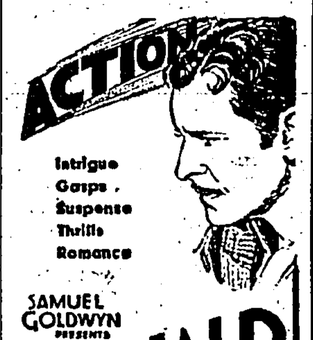

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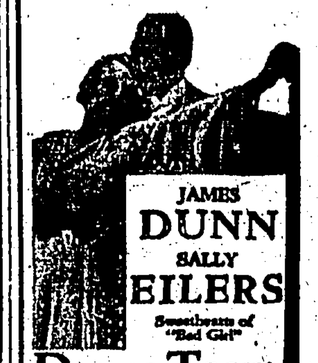

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PUBLISHER GAOLED

CANADIAN'S LIBEL ON COMPANY PRESIDENT

London, Dec. 28.

Sentence of three months in the Montreal penitentiary has been passed on J. J. Harpell, a Canadian publisher, who was found guilty of defamatory libel against Mr. T. B. Macaulay, the President of the Sun Life Assurance Company.

The judge also ordered Harpell to enter a bond to keep the peace for six months under a guarantee of a thousand dollars. If the bond in not forthcoming a further six months imprisonment will be added to the sentence. Harpell is to bear the cost of the prosecution.

In giving his sentence the judge said: "Not a scintilla of truth was produced to substantiate Harpell's atrocious libel."

Notice of appeal has been given.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

The alleged libel was that Mr. Macaulay was charged with having involved the Sun Life Company in the Insull crash.

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THREE-HOUR CLASH

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Harbin, Dec. 29.

Two thousand anti-Manchukuo Volunteers, commanded by General Li Hai-tsin, were routed by Japanese forces in the vicinity of Tailai, according to Japanese reports.

The extraordinary disparity between the losses alleged to have been suffered is more marked than usual.

According to the Japanese reports, the engagement betwen the rival troops lasted for three hours, in which time the Japanese suffered the loss of one man killed and one wounded.

After this, the Volunteers are said to have beat a hasty retreat having lost 123 officers and men and also fifty horses.

The battle took place near Tailai, about sixty-five miles to the south of Tsitsihar. The forces of General Li Haitsin are reported to be retreating to the north, with the Japanese in pursuit.—*Reuter.*

BIG SOCIETY WEDDING AT BRECHIN

Lady Mary Carnegie Weds Lt. Commdr. Abel-Smith

(Our Own Correspondent).

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London, Dec. 29.

The Church of St. Andrew's at Brechin was yesterday the scene of a big Society wedding when Lady Mary Carnegie, the daughter of the Earl of Southesk, married Lieut. Commander Conolly Abel-Smith.

Both bride and bridegroom are related to Royalty as the bride's brother married the King's niece, Princess Maud, while the bridegroom's cousin, Henry, wed the Queen's niece, Lady May Cambridge.

ITALIAN CLAIM HEIGHT RECORD

EXCELLENT EFFORT BY SEAPLANE

Rome, Dec. 28.

An altitude of 8,200 metres was reached to-day by a 170 h.p. Fiat seaplane. This is claimed to be a new world record for tourist seaplanes.

The international altitude record for all types of craft is held by Great Britain, Capt. Uwing having flown to a height of 13,404 metres.—*Reuter.*

CAPITAL LEVY IN BELGIUM

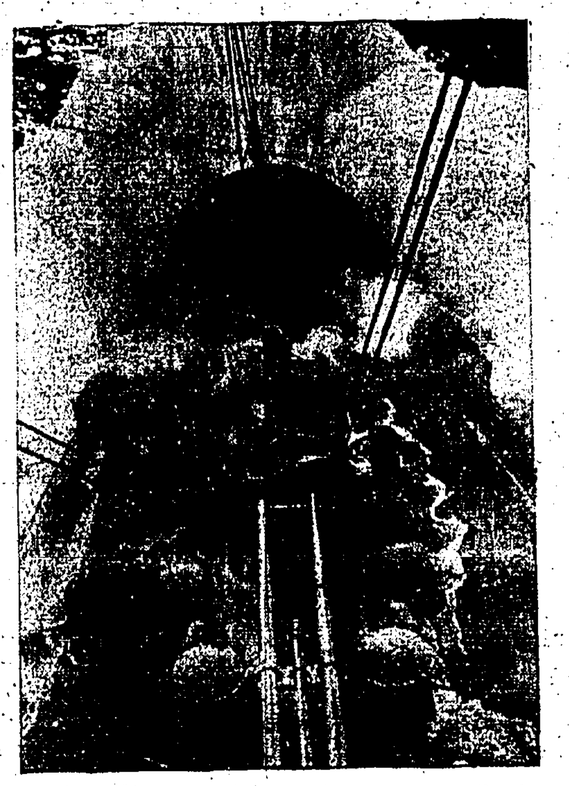
LEFT WING DECLINE TO DEBATE ISSUE

Brussels, Dec. 28.

The Chamber to-night, by 93 votes to nil, passed the Bill to restore the national finances.

The Socialists, Communists and Flemish Extremists absented themselves from the session.

The Bill, designed to balance the budget, now showing a deficit of 3,800,000,000 francs, provides for drastic economy cuts in salaries and pensions and for fresh taxation, including a capital levy.—*Reuter.*



A giant Atlantic liner driving into terrific seas during a gale. The Majestic, which arrived in New York yesterday after the stormiest crossing for years, suffered much minor damage in the bows and one seaman was killed.

MAJESTIC IN GALE

BULKHEAD SMASHED BY GIANT WAVE

SEAMAN KILLED

New York, Dec. 28.

The giant White Star liner Majestic sailed into New York harbour many hours late to-day after one of the roughest Atlantic crossings for several years.

Although the biggest ship in the world at present sailing the seas, the Majestic received a severe battering, and considerable minor damage was done aboard her by terrific seas.

As a result of the storm, one seaman was killed and two cooks were nearly drowned on board. A giant wave struck the liner when she was steaming into the teeth of the gale on Friday.

The wave smashed in a bulkhead, wrecked the crew's scullery and completely swamped out this part of the ship, the seaman being killed outright while the cook was rescued when on the verge of drowning.

COLLECTION FOR WIDOW.

The weather moderated later and a collection was made among the passengers, who raised over £50 for the benefit of the seaman's widow. The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. R. B. Bennett, was among those who travelled on the Majestic.—*Reuter.*

SMALL-POX CASE IN KOWLOON

SCHOOL STUDENTS TO BE VACCINATED

Following the receipt of a circular from the medical authorities by parents of children attending the Central British School asking that all children be vaccinated, a rumour became prevalent yesterday that small-pox had broken out in the peninsula.

Enquiries by a *Telegraph* representative at the Medical Department this morning elicted the information that an infant of five years had contracted small-pox and as a sister was attending the School, the circular was issued merely as a precautionary measure.

THE GREAT SLUMP

EXCHANGE CONTROL PROBLEM

ADDING TO TRADE STAGNATION

London, Dec. 28.

The damaging effect of exchange restrictions upon British trade with South America is engaging the very serious attention of British commercial circles.

Leith Ross.

A conference on the subject was held at the Board of Trade in London last week under the chairmanship of Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, chief economic adviser to the Government.

Following this conference, which was attended by representatives of commerce, industry and finance, the Association of Chambers of Commerce and the Federation of British Industries have circularised all their members with a view to ascertaining the total amount awaiting remittance from certain countries in Central and South America to the United Kingdom, but which has been held up owing to exchange control.—*Reuter.*

Suffering from internal injuries through being knocked down by a tramcar in Des Voeux Road Central, Lam Nam, aged 11, of Lan Kwai Fong, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday afternoon.

CONSULAR INVOICE PROBLEM

ATTITUDE OF THE CUSTOMS

TAKING NANKING'S ORDERS

The news from Canton that the Kwangtung Provincial Government and the Customs Offices in the province had been instructed to admit goods without consular invoices, and that the Hongkong Invoice Office would shortly cease to function, has aroused considerable comment in Hongkong.

A *Telegraph* representative who visited the Hongkong Invoice Office this morning was informed that the acting head of the Office was in Canton at present, having gone there last night for the purpose of discussing the matter with the Canton authorities. No official notification on the subject had been received, it was further stated.

HONGKONG POSITION.

In the meatime, it is stated that the Customs offices for Kowloon, Canton and Swatow have intimated that they must obey the orders of the Nanking Government and insist on consular invoices, and that the Hongkong Invoice Office has notified local merchants to this effect.

Accordingly, Hongkong shippers are continuing to comply with the invoice regulations in regard to goods consigned for Canton.

The Hongkong Office was opened as recently as December 1st, Mr. Y. H. Wen taking over the duties of Invoice Officer. He has, however, been absent from the Colony for some considerable time now.

TO SUCCEED LI CHAI-SUM

GEN. CHU PEI-TEH APPOINTED

Nanking, Dec. 28.

The National Government this morning announced the appointment of General Chu Pei-teh to succeed Marshal Li Chai-sum as Director of Military Training in Nanking. Marshal Li was formerly military ruler of Kwangtung and Kwangsi and returned to Hongkong some time ago after resigning all his Nanking posts.

The Government has also appointed General Tang Sang-chi, former Military Governor of Hupeh, a member of the Military Council.—*Rensha.*

NEWFOUNDLAND'S FINANCE

BRITAIN AND CANADA LENDING AID

London, Dec. 28.

Financial difficulties being experienced by the Newfoundland Government are, according to a message from St. John's being overcome with the aid of the British and Canadian Governments.

They will assist Newfoundland to meet interest payments due on January 1 by providing $1,479,000 out of approximately $2,000,000 due.—*Reuter.*

CHENG CLEMENCY PETITION

NO DECISION NOW LIKELY BEFORE THE NEW YEAR

Although a meeting of the Executive Council was held this morning no action has yet been taken regarding the petition for clemency on behalf of Cheng Kwok-yau, who is under sentence of death for the murder of George Fung.

This information was conveyed to a representative of the *Telegraph* following the meeting this morning of the Executive Council.

Ordinarily, the respite granted to Cheng pending a decision regarding the appeal to the Privy Council would have expired in mid-December. A further respite was granted, and from an authoritive source it is learnt that this will expire on either January 14 or 15.

It is not now anticipated that the Governor-in-Council will reach any decision regarding the petition [illegible]

SOUTH AFRICA OFF GOLD STANDARD

PUZZLING MONEY SITUATION

GOVERNMENT AGAINST LINK WITH STERLING BLOC

POLITICAL FIGHT IN THE MAKING

Capetown, Dec. 29.

The bewildering money situation created by the abandonment of the gold standard is clarifying after some hours of groping in the dark.

It is anticipated that business will now rapidly adjust itself to the situation.

In the meantime, there appears to be a distinct possibility of the financial crisis being followed by a political crisis.

Mr. Tielman Roos, the Nationalist leader, made a speech at Johannesburg yesterday, virtually offering to lead an anti-government coalition.

General Smuts, in a speech at Germiston, wishing Mr. Tielman Roos luck in his campaign for rallying the Nationalists to his banner, said he thought there was at present such a combination of forces as would be capable of driving out the government.

SMUTS' CONDITION.

According to Mr. Tielman Roos, however, General Smuts, while assenting to the possibility of a combination of parties, explains that it must be on such a basis as not to impair the strength of the South African party.

It is interesting to note that while business men throughout the country interpret the Government's action in relieving the Reserve Bank of responsibility for payment of notes in gold as abandonment of the gold standard, Mr. Havenga, the Finance Minister, declines to agree with this interpretation, at least in its entirety.

"VIRTUALLY OFF".

In an interview to-day, Mr. Havenga stated that the Union was virtually off gold. The banks must quote exchange on a new basis and internal gold circulation would cease.

South Africa, he added, is really upon a regulated gold exchange basis.

Generally speaking, this appears to be a distinction without a difference. The Government, however, has decided not to link the South African pound with sterling or to devalue the currency.

FEW TRANSACTIONS.

There were very few transactions to-day and the banks adopted Saturday's gold rate. It is generally felt, however, that this will not last very long. It is believed that the South African pound will soon begin to move nearer the sterling level.

The banks are, for the time being at least, refusing to sell foreign exchange except for the smallest amounts.

Sterling gold shares advanced steadily in the market, which was busier than at any time since Britain abandoned the gold standard.

MINING SHARES DOWN.

Great interest was also displayed on the London Stock Exchange in the developments in South Africa. South African mining shares were down, but there was little selling.—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

JO'BURG SENSATION.

Johannesburg, Dec. 29.

It is understood that the Chamber of Mines will no longer sell gold.

The Reserve Bank regards itself as free to sell in the world market following the Government's action, which the Rand producers contend has cancelled the agreement for the sale of gold by the Reserve Bank.

There is a possibility of a new agreement being reached whereby the supply will be continued. This has created a profound sensation here.—*Reuter.*

SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS

RUSSIAN MINISTER NOT YET APPOINTED

Nanking, Dec. 29.

It is expected that Dr. W. W. Yen, whose appointment as Chinese Minister to the Soviet Government has been approved by the State Council, will proceed to Moscow from Geneva to present his credentials after the conclusion of the work of the Committee of Nineteen which is resuming its deliberations on the Manchuria issue not later than January 16.

Dr. Yen's credentials will be sent to Geneva as soon as they have been signed by Mr. Lin Sen, the President of the State Council.

Dr. Yen will remain as chief Chinese delegate to the League Assembly.

It is disclosed that the Chinese Government have not yet received formal notification from Moscow regarding who will be appointed Soviet Minister to China.—*Reuter.*

NAZI VETERAN RESIGNS REICHSTAG

Octogenarian to Remain in Prussian Diet

Berlin, Dec. 28.

The Nazi deputy, ex-General Lietzmann, who is eighty-four years of age, has resigned his seat in the Reichstag, of which he is the senior member.

General Lietzmann will remain a member of the Nazi Party and of the Prussian Diet.—*Reuter.*

HOME RUGGER

LEICESTER JUST WIN AT HOME

London, Dec. 28.

In a keen rugger match at Leicester to-day, Leicester defeated Manchester by 9 points to 8.—*Reuter.*

Yeravda Goal at Poona, where Gandhi is still kept a prisoner. It is believed that the Government may shortly authorise his release.

GANDHI NOT TO FAST

LONG CONFERENCE AT POONA

(Our Own Correspondent).

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London, Dec. 28.

Gandhi held a three-hour conference with his advisers at Poona to-day, strong pressure being brought to bear upon him to refrain from undertaking a new fast.

It is understood that the outcome of the conference was that Gandhi agreed to postpone indefintely his threatened "fast unto death."

The Congress leader, after hearing what was being done, expressed himself satisfied for the present that everybody concerned is doing his utmost to maintain progress towards the removal of Untouchability.

SOFIA CABINET RESIGNS

POLITICAL CRISIS NOT FEARED

Sofia, Dec. 28.

Bulgaria's political problems have come to a head and the Cabinet have tendered their resignations.

It is, however, believed that all difficulties will be smoothed out and a crisis as a result of the change of regime is not anticipated.

King Boris his consulted all the party leaders and it is generally expected that M. Mouchanoff will be asked to-morrow to undertake the task of forming a new Cabinet with the support of those groups which formed the retiring government.—*Reuter.*

FRANCO-GERMAN TRADE PACTS

TWO AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED

Paris, Dec. 28.

The texts of two Franco-German trade agreements have been published and a third is foreshadowed.

The first modifies the Convention of 1927 and its main provisions are that existing tariffs can be modified at a fortnight's notice and that the application of the most-favoured-nation clause will be restricted instead of general.

The second agreement creates a Franco-German office in Paris to settle exchange transfer difficulties.—*Reuter.*

Residents returning by the P. and O. liner Carthage yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cottle, and Mr.

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THE WORLD OF WOMEN

FASHION NOTES.

Shoulders Must be Wide.

We are all revelling in, or, if we err towards plumpness, resigned to the new line. We know that we must be wide about the shoulders, but impossibly slim and tightly swathed as to ribs and hips. Above all, there must be no wrinkles.

Yet many women, knowing all about this, and having bought the right dresses, still fail to achieve the desired effect. The truth is that foundations now-a-days are devastatingly obtrusive if they are not carefully fitted.

No hip line, for instance, can triumphantly survive the vertical wrinkles caused by full knickers which are gathered into an elastic at the waist, nor will it hide the folds of a tired corset. A vest which fits too loosely around the ribs is no help to a well-fitted bodice and a too-roomy underslip can ruin any dress.

Importance of "Undies".

Never were underclothes more important. Fortunately there are any number of well-cut, slim-fitting garments to be had at prices to suit all purses and in materials of varying weights.

If, however, you still have some undies which are too good to cast aside but are just a trifle old-fashioned, then spend an hour or so bringing them right up to the minute.

Fit brassiere tops of lace or wool-lace to your vests. The cross-over kind are simple to make, and are very efficient. See that there is no longer any tendency to wrinkle over the ribs. Use shaped bands to circumvent ugly bulges in other garments and look to the fitting of your underslips.

If you have been indulging in wild extravagances in new frocks and a coat, do not grudge another shilling or two for a new, perfectly-fitting corselet. It need not be in the least bulky, but it is an absolute necessity if you are to do credit to your wardrobe.

An astrakhan trim on a light green hat makes a pleasing liaison with the dark green ensemble that is trimmed in astrakhan.

By Joan Savoy

When your best man takes you to lunch and the matinee, you can be sure you are doing him proud if you are a chic study in black and white.

Nothing on earth gives a woman intriguing charm with as little effort as a black dress with just the right white touches.

Don't take the obvious collar and cuff method of getting your white touches: Everybody does that. The newest day-time things have fascinating ways of lightening their dark surfaces that are original in cut and hard to copy.

The rougher the crinkles in your black crepe dress, the surer you are of chic. And if your crinkly white trim gets more crinkles into itself by shirring, then you have nothing left to worry about.

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With this dress, you can wear one of the new little tricorn hats, saucy and becoming, with an eyebrow veil in an open square-meshed design.

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The Right Neckline.

Many a girl this year is doing mean things to her face by wearing the wrong kind of neckline—in the name of fashion.

If you have more years than you like, don't try to wear those plain round necklines that baldly lead right up to your neck, which no longer is firm, and then leave you stranded. Try a scarf of some kind, held in place by a gleaming clip.

Preferably, pick your neckline with some reference to your face, and years. For the rather fat-faced type of woman, the pointed neckline does wonders. For the slender type woman, the square cut necklines are excellent, even when they come right up to the throat. It really takes a young, baby-face to wear hard, round necklines with no trimming and the collar of the dress extending to the throat.

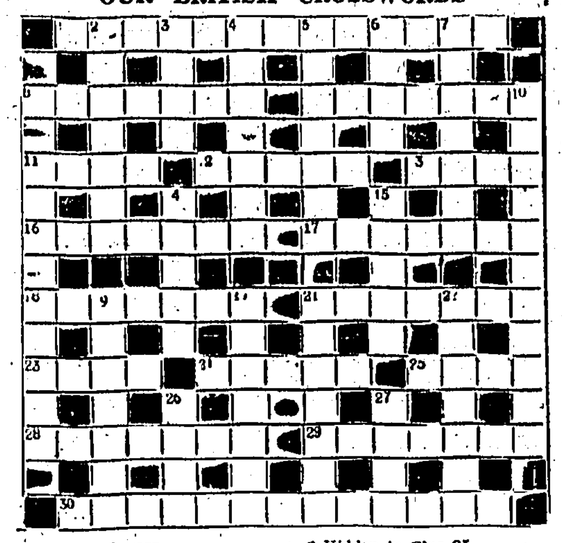
New Strapped Effects

Evenings give women a chance to play up their particularly good points. The thin-backed woman whose every vertebrae shows should forego the temptation to wear a decolletage that leaves the back bare. There are strapped effects, some of them with a centre strap running right down the back, that are much better. Too plump a woman should have the same caution.

In like manner, there are high-front neck gowns that can be vastly becoming to certain types but horrid on others. Don't try the exaggeratedly high ones or those with the wide bateau line if you aren't certain of your own type.

For daytime, the average woman looks much better with a white touch at her neck, when she wears black. Remember that the pointed white collar line is the best on the greatest number of women.—Alicia Hart.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



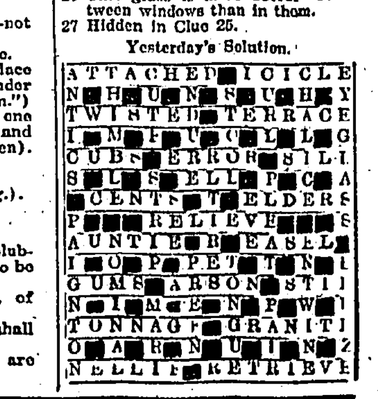
Across

1 Carries a greeting of good-will and drastic charms (two words).
8 These may be beaten after their pile has been made.
9 Mean in character.
11 Booty certainly, but not shod.
12 Appertaining to the head of a Church.
13 Tip them to be silent.
16 Gone bad in keeping. So don't be a slave to hoarding.
17 Hurry up, my lad, for the relative.
18 Humour.
21 A gin accompaniment—not necessarily aging.
23 In these a bar is no obstacle.
24 "Ring out false pride in place and blood. The civic slander and the —." ("In Memoriam.")
25 The decision was a heroic one for the villages, parishes, and other places concerned (hidden).
28 Barren.
29 Luckily.
30 "Throw us nut—try" (anag.).

Down

2 Its point is cruel, and the blubber from the victim is only to be expected.
3 Just conceit, though quaint, of course.
4 Having a will of one's own, shall we say?
5 Strictly speaking, we all are these.
6 Hidden in Clue 25.
7 Adornments.
8 These are well known.
10 Basically.
14 Friendly with an associate.
15 Although you go astray this will take you across safely.
19 Look beneath the castle moat.
20 Put into words plainly stated.
21 This fellow is more muscle than anything—though it wouldn't seem to require much to support a mere rug.
22 Rail against.
26 This glass is more useful between windows than in them.
27 Hidden in Clue 25.

Yesterday's Solution.



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London, Dec. 28.

Much importance is attached in aeronautical circles to a decision to place an order for an experimental autogyro machine to carry five passengers. It will be fitted with a radial engine, probably an Armstrong Siddeley 500 horse-power panther. It is estimated the machine would have a top speed of 160 m.p.h., a cruising speed of 130 and a low speed of about 20 miles.

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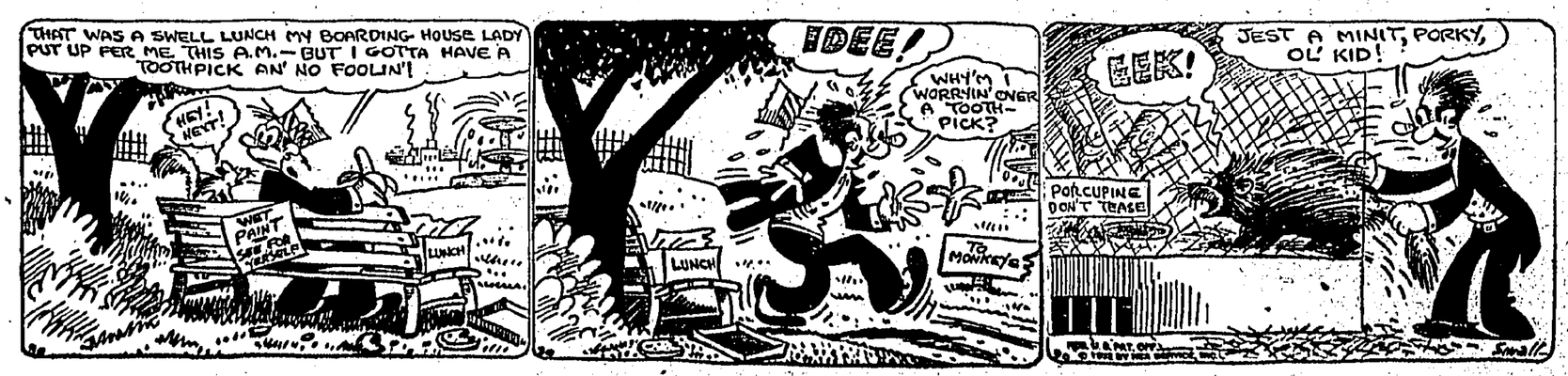

GREAT NEW MYSTERY SERIAL

"WEEK-END MURDER"

BY GABRIEL F FORBUSH

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

The story opens with a prologue in which a murder is committed by a homicidal maniac. Later he boards a train for Long Island, thinking of the pleasant week-end he is to have there. The name of the murderer is not disclosed.

The scene shifts to the Long Island home of LINDA and TOM AVERILL, married three years and much in love. The Averills have five guests for the week-end: COUSIN AMOS PEABODY, elderly, distant relative of Linda's; CAPTAIN DE VOS, handsome Belgian representing a European perfume manufacturer with whom Averill hopes to do business; MR. STATLANDER, middle-western manager of the firm Averill works for; MARVIN PRATT, former suitor of Linda's; and LIAM SHAUGHNESSEY, Irish writer on a lecture tour.

Cousin Amos immediately makes trouble. He quarrels with Shaughnessey because the Irishman holds liberal political views; plays golf with Statlander and infuriates him by criticising his game; discusses prohibition with DeVOS at the Country Club and declares DEVOS is "no gentleman." It is finally agreed that Cousin Amos is to leave early the next morning.

The others go to the Country Club dance. The dance is uneventful but when the others are ready to leave Statlander can not be found. When he finally appears it is apparent that he has been drinking. It is nearly morning when the Averills and their guests reach home.

CHAPTER XI

Tom Averill frowned. "Oh, gosh, there we go again talking about the—what did you call them?—'potential murderers'?"

"I wish I never had to see any one of them again," Linda said dejectedly.

"Oh, come, Binks. It isn't as bad as that. A few hours of sleep—"

"A few hours? How you do exaggerate! It's almost daylight and we've got to get Cousin Amos off early. Early for him—that's even worse!"

"How soon? It's after 5 now."

"In about an hour. He gets up about half-past 6 or 7 anyhow and he wants to take a 7-something train. That means 6 today."

Tom whistled silently. Then he began undressing. "Binks," he said, "go to bed. I'll see the old fellow off and tell him you're all in."

"Thanks, but that wouldn't do. It's my job and I'll send him away with a smile. I wouldn't sleep anyhow, Tom. I'd have him on my mind."

"Say—here's an idea! Get out of those things and into your bathing suit. This room's an oven and a cool dip'll do you more good than lying down. If you'll fling on a few clothes and see that he gets breakfast I'll run him to the station and you can go to bed then. I doubt if anyone else shows his face before noon."

She was already scrambling into the pert little red jersey suit that made her look so boyish and slim.

"I'm with you, Tommy! It's a grand idea. Think any of the others—?"

"Leave 'em out. Two's company this time and they're all asleep by now, anyhow. Come on!"

"Wait—I can't find my cap! You go on—it's here somewhere. I'll be right behind you!"

The cap was found and Linda stopped to pick up the soft, crumpled, lacey dress which still lay where she had stepped out of it on the floor. As she smoothed it out and straightened Tom's equally neglected evening clothes she felt the still, oppressive heat of the silent house brooding over her. There was always something thrilling about seeing the sun come up (she thought with a grin that she'd never admit that to the too-instructive Cousin Amos) but this morning the sensation of fresh wonder and delight was lacking. The room had actually grown hotter since Tom left. She sighed. Even getting down to the water seemed almost too much of an effort—then she stopped.

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From somewhere down the hall came a light creaking tread— the hushed sound of one who walks quietly for fear of disturbing others. It was followed by a slight click and then to her ears came distinctly the wrak-wrak-wrak of Cousin Amos' defiantly opened casement giving on the little porch. She relaxed. Evidently her cousin was already about wakened by the light and the still, heavy heat. Also evidently he did not want to disturb any of them and Linda decided to pretend she had not heard. After all, it wasn't quite 6 yet—half an hour before he should show signs of life. She would have her plunge and cool off before facing the next step. Yes, everything was quiet now. No one would hear her patter along in her little red rubber shoes.

But in the hall, she relented. Cousin Amos hadn't had much pleasure from his stay and he had so enjoyed the water yesterday! Since no one else was coming, why not at least ask him? At his room door she stopped in surprise—it was about a foot ajar. She remembered that he had not left it open during the night. Then she thought of the step she had heard in the hall. Curious he should go outside his room so early! He had his own lavatory and could have done without a tub for once in his life. If he had gone across the hall she hoped fervently he hadn't either met or disturbed Marvin or DeVos, both tired, sleepy and hot and therefore edgy after the Country Club affair. They were safely in bed by now and, she hoped, deaf to Cousin Amos' cautious, if inexplicable, rambling in the hall.

But, she wondered, had he gone back to bed or was he actully up and dressed so early? Hesitating whether to knock or not, she unintentionally pushed the door a little more widely open and could not help seeing the bed—empty, rumpled, the covers thrown back. Feeling very apologetic, she opened her lips to call him softly. Then, to her astonishment, she heard voices inside the room. Linda stood very still, puzzled. No, they were not exactly in the room. The sudden wrak-wrak-wrak of that beastly door placed them—just over the sill out on the little porch.

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Who could it be? Tom probably, smitten with the same idea and having stopped to invite Cousin Amos to join them, called in by the indignant old man to account for the noise and swing of the door. Cousin Amos, of course, would forget entirely his insistence on opening it, in spite of her express request that he should not. Well—let Tom bear the brunt of displeasure! Perhaps he could brace it somehow to stop it for the moment. A sudden appalling squeak filled her with renewed alarm lest the sound disturb Marvin Pratt or DeVos. Both of them, she knew, had had all they wanted of Cousin Amos! In fact she had promised that the Belgian, at least, should not even see again the man who had so affronted him. She pulled the room door gently to until it all but latched and made her escape unheard, running downstairs rather amused than otherwise at Tom's plight.

But the door on the terrace was open and as she came out into the early sun, she saw a white-backed jersey rising and falling in rhythmic strokes as a familiar figure headed out from shore. Tom, no doubt of it—tired of waiting for her and apparently striking out for distant Connecticut. She prepared to emit the piercing yodel with which she was wont to signal him and checked herself only just in time as she remembered the hour. But if not Tom, who was upstairs with Cousin Amos? Had he been taken ill in the night and did he need help? Should she go back?

A slight scuffle of feet over her head on the little balcony startled her. Could the old man have had a fainting spell—a stroke perhaps? There was something strange about that subdued, shuffling sound! If only Tom, swimming away from her so unconcernedly, would turn so that she could wave him back!

Over her head there was a quick jumble of steps, an exclamation, and suddenly a cracking, rending, tearing sound. From above came hurtling a figure—headfirst—turning in the air, not two feet from where she stood, rooted and horrified, under the projecting balcony—to crumple in sickening distortion at her very feet. A white head moved feebly, white face, breathlessly gasping his name. The eyelids quivered and the blue, childlike eyes looked up at her at first blindly, then with dazed recognition.

"Linda!" She bent down for the painful whisper. "Over—over—"

"Yes, darling—you fell over—"

"No. He . . . th-threw—"

"He . . who?"

There was no answer, nor could Cousin Amos ever tell her more.

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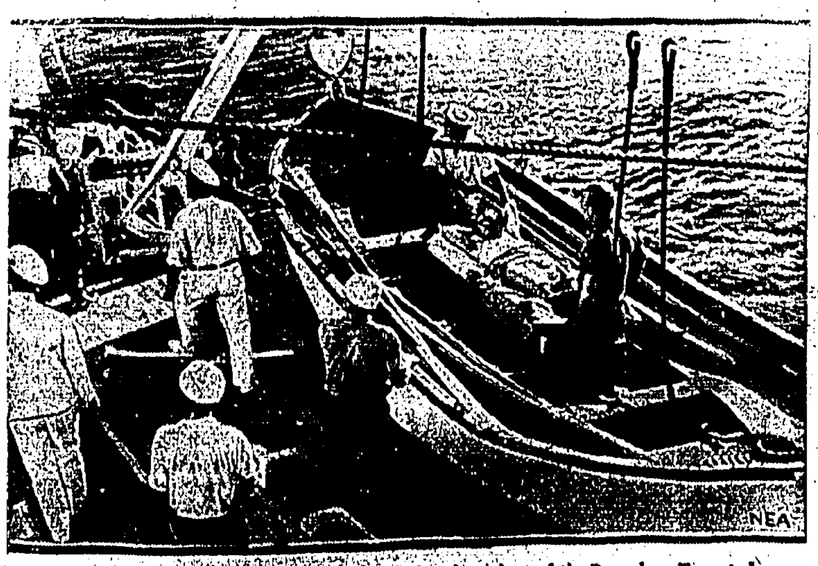
Horror-stricken as she was over the old man's death, Linda grasped the significance of those few broken words. He was trying to tell her something. He had told her—a little: "Over—" "No—he

(Continued on Page 11.)

Thomas Patrick Morris is claiming a portion of the $300,000,000 fortune left by Miss Ella Von Elm Wendel on the assertion he is a son of her late brother, John Gottlieb Wendel. To carry out the claim he brought into a New York court a bust of Wendel—equipped with removable spectacles—and stood beside it to show his likeness to the man he claims to be his father.

The life of an artist's model is just a large joke to six-months-old Barry Neville Cox (above) of Sussex. The youngster has been chosen as the model for a village baby which will be one of the central figures in the large murals for Rockefeller Centre in New York.

Two steamers raced toward each other through the night off the Mexican coast when Dr. W. M. Wildman, ship's surgeon, and Dr. J. C. Geiger, on the Dollar liner President Coolidge, diagnosed the symptoms radioed by the steamer Dakotan as extremely acute appendicitis. When the vessels met, the sick man, William Anderson, an oiler was transferred by boat to the Coolidge, and the operation successfully performed. Photo shows the patient being taken aboard the President Coolidge.



A skirmish between British police and unemployed members of the Dagenham Tenants League. The Bobby on the right is standing over a fallen comrade while those on the left are aiding a fallen rioter. Difficulties arose over eviction orders, and the woman seen in the background had been evicted from her home at Baconsree, Essex.

No demonstrating was to be permitted in front of the White House and this picture shows how police obeyed the mandate. Mr. Gertrude Haessler of New York, arrested for disturbing the peace in connexion with the demonstration of children of the unemployed, was carried from the scene.

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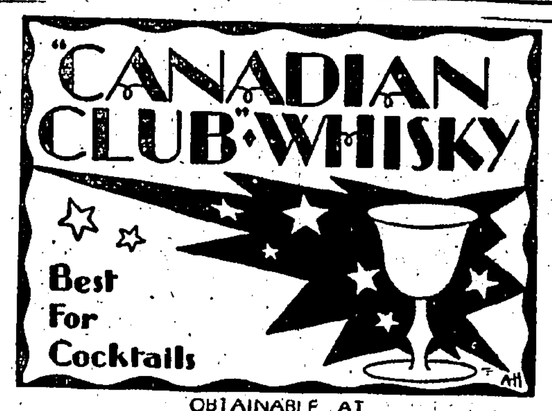

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Hongkong, 28th December, 1932.

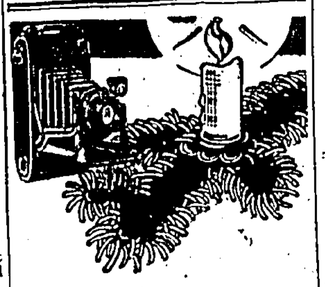
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of Green Island Cement Company, Limited, held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 17th day of August, 1932, a Call of $2.75 per share was made upon all the members holding shares, whose names appear in the Company's register of shareholders on the 17th day of August, 1932, upon which only $1.00 per share has been paid, and it was determined that such Call should be paid on the 31st day of December, 1932, to the Company's Bankers, The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Head Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid.

Upon presentation at the Office of the Company of Bankers' Receipt for the payment of such Call, together with the Certificate of Shares a note of the payment will be endorsed on the Certificate.

Dated this 17th day of August, 1932.

By Order of the Board,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.



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"BIFFEM".

By special request we are publishing the following report from one of the spectators of the Biffem match between Highbrow Harry and Cunning Claud.

A large and distinguished crowd witnessed the match for the Biffem Championship between Highbrow Harry and Cunning Claud. On entering the arena Harry appeared to be the more nervous of the two, but soon regained his composure on recognising some staunch supporters of his among the spectators. Claud was wearing a natty Biffem suit in brown, relieved by touches here and there of red ochre.

After being formally introduced by the referee, Dr. Radio, the opponents shook hands and retired to their respective corners.

The first two rounds were distinctly mediocre, and but for the fact that a little diversion was caused by Cunning Claud being twice cautioned by the referee for taking furtive side-glances at Harry's card, the spectators might have got more restive than they did. As it was, there were a few ugly remarks from the rear by people who wanted their money back. Highbrow Harry won both rounds with comparative ease.

The final round, however, was a most thrilling affair, and at times the excitement of the spectators reached fever pitch. Old Biffem players of many years' standing were heard to remark that they had never before seen such masterly biffs.

Harry disposed his fleet as follows:—Battleship B.4 to E.1, Cruiser C.6 to C.8, Destroyer G.5 to H.5, Submarine H.7. Claud, in his usual cunning manner, placed his ships thus:—Battleship J.1 to J.4, Cruiser J.6 to J.8, Destroyer G.10 to H.10., Submarine J.10.

Cunning Claud, by means of a two-headed coin, won the toss, and fired his first salvo:—G.5; G.6; G.7; H.5; H.6; H.7. Harry's admission that his destroyer and submarine had been sunk was met by roars of applause from the Claudites. A spectator who objected to the decision on the grounds that Claud had seen Harry's card was promptly ejected by order of the referee.

Harry, being only able to fire four shots in return, placed them, in his usual highbrow manner, in squares A.4; B.3; C.2; D.1; and hit nothing.

Claud's Second Salvo:—B.4; B.5; B.6; C.4; C.5; C.6. Result: a hit on Harry's Battleship and his Cruiser.

Harry's Second Salvo: G.10; H.9; I.8; J.7. Result: A hit on Claud's Cruiser and Destroyer.

Claud's Third Salvo: E.1; E.2; E.3; F.1; F.2; F.3; Result: Another hit on Harry's Battleship. (The betting was now 3—1 on Claud.)

Harry's Third Salvo: H.10; I.9; J.8; J.9; Result: Another hit on Claud's Cruiser and his Destroyer sunk.

Claud's Fourth Salvo: B.9; C.3; C.9; D.2; D.9. Result: Harry's Battleship sunk. (Biffers will realise how cunning he was here).

Harry could only fire two shots in return and the spectators were already beginning to look for their coats and hats, but with a superlative stroke of genius he placed both shots into his opponent's battleship, and, to cut a long story short, managed to sink Claud's Fleet without Claud getting in another hit.

Claud, having been thoroughly biffed, slunk away into a dark corner, and Highbrow Harry was carried shoulder-high through a crowd of cheering biffers.

Biffem beginners are recommended to study the above play.

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Moscow, Dec. 28.

A rounding up of all kulaks (thiefs and persons of no fixed abode), and the establishment of the single passport system throughout the U.S.S.R. in order to improve registration of the population, is ordered in a new decree by the Central Executive Committee. All citizens over 16 years who regularly live in towns, workers in settlements also those engaged in transport work on State farms or enterprises under construction, must have passports which will be considered as identification papers.

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FAREWELL PARTY TO MR. SIRDAR KHAN

There was a large gathering at the headquarters of the Chinese Company, Hongkong Police Reserve, last evening, on the occasion of a farewell tea party to Mr. Sirdar Khan, O.C. the Indian Company, H.K.P.R., who has recently retired, and the presentation of the trophies won by members of the Chinese Company in revolver shooting competitions.

Amongst those present were the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector General of Police, Hon. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, Honorary Commissioner of the Chinese Company, Mr. Bishen Singh, Honorary Commissioner of the Indian Company, and Messrs. D. L. King, B. C. Randall, and T. O. Ts'o, A.S.P. (R)., Inspector W. V. Field, H.K.P.R., and Messrs. Kwok Sui-lau, Chow Tung-sang and Li Sing-kui.

Making a presentation of a fountain pen and pencil set to Mr. Sirdar Khan on behalf of the Chinese Company, Mr. D. L. King mentioned that Mr. Khan had served with the Police Reserve since 1915 and with his departure they would lose a valuable friend. He wished him every happiness in his retirement.

Spirit of Camaraderie.

Hon. Mr. Wolfe also addressed the gathering and congratulated the company on its march forward in Police Reserve work, stating that it had come as a pleasant surprise to him to find that the Chinese had beaten the hitherto unbeaten Emergency Unit in the Inter-Unit Championship Revolver shoot. He hoped the spirit of camaraderie which was exemplified that day would continue between all units of the Reserve, and it was a pleasure to him to find all the companies working harmoniously together.

Referring to the work of Mr. Sirdar Khan, he said he had done much in furthering the work of the Reserve, and thanked him for his help since 1915, especially during the troublesome periods of 1922 and 1925 and in the autumn of last year.

Replying, Mr. Sirdar Khan eulogised the work done by the Hon. Mr. S. W. Ts'o, Hon. Mr. Wolfe and Mr. D. L. King. Referring to Hon. Mr. Ts'o he mentioned the efforts he had made in the formation of the special constabulary in the strike of 1925, adding that they little thought that that infant would grow into robust youth, and be entrusted with such responsible duties a few years later. He congratulated the Chinese Company on their success in the recent inter-unit Revolver shoot and said he hoped the competitions would be more frequently held and keenly contested so as to be a stimulant for members to achieve and surpass the required standard of shooting, an art which was of the utmost importance to a policeman.

The prizes were presented by Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe as follows:

Police Reserve Inter-Unit Revolver Championship Cup.—Mr. T. O. Ts'o on behalf of the Chinese Company.

Chinese Company Revolver Championship. 1, P.S. R67 Chow Ching-chiu; 2, P.C. R42 Wong King-chuen; 3, L.S. R30 Thong Po-hing.

Prize for best score at application 10 yards, Chinese Company Championship.—P.C. R59 Molin Yue.

Marksman's badge and certificate. P.S.R67 Chow Ching-chiu.

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(a) The charge for telegrams to Shanghai and Coast Ports will be based on one quarter the ordinary rate and to other places on one-third the ordinary rate.

(b) The Minimum charge for all places will be for ten words.

Full particulars may be had on application to the Radio Office.

BROADCASTING RECEIVING LICENCES, 1933.

All Existing Licences expire on 31st December, 1932.

New Licences for 1933 will be available at the Wireless Licensing Office, 1st Floor, Post Office Building, as from 1st January, 1933 and will be issued during working hours against the receipt of a remittance of $10.00.

Applications may be made:—

(a) personally.
(b) by messenger.
(c) by post.

It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed cheque payable to Hongkong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.

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Siam (Bangkok)		$ 0.20	$ 0.35	$ 0.12	$ 0.12
Burma (Rangoon)		0.25	0.50	0.25	0.25
India (Calcutta)		0.40	0.70	0.52	0.25
India (Calcutta)		0.40	0.70	0.25	0.25
Persia (Bushire) / Persia (Djask)		0.60	0.95	0.30	0.30
Iraq (Bagdad)		0.65	1.05	0.35	0.35
Palestine (Beyrouth)		0.75	1.20	0.40	0.40
Greece (Athens)		0.85	1.40	0.45	0.45
Italy (Naples) / France (Marseilles) / Great Britain (London) / Europe other countries (Marseilles for onward transmission by rail)		1.00	1.60	0.55	0.55

The air mail for each country will be landed at the place named in brackets.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Calcutta and Straits	Yuensang	December 30
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 10th December)	President Madison	December 30.
Japan and Shanghai	Kaisar-I-Hind	December 30.
Shanghai and Amoy	Chinhua	December 30.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning	December 31.
Straits	Conte Verde	January 1.
Straits	Perseus	January 2.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	January 2.
Shanghai	Athos II.	January 3.
Japan	Arizona Maru	January 3.
Saigon	D'Artagnan	January 4.
Australia and Manila	Nellore	January 4.
Shanghai	Agamemnon	January 4.
Japan	Brisbane Maru	January 4.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco, 9th December)	Pres. Van Buren	January 6.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 17th December)	Emp. of Canada	January 6.
Japan and Shanghai	Soudan	January 6.
Japan and Shanghai	Kashima Maru	January 6.
Straits	Suwa Maru	January 7.
Straits	Antenor	January 7.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Thursday.		
Shanghai and *Japan	Carthage	Thurs., Dec. 29, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thur., Dec. 29, 3 p.m.
*Straits, East and South Africa	Alaska Maru	Thurs., Dec. 29, 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Kongso	Thurs., Dec. 29, 4 p.m.
Amoy	Tanthia	Thurs., Dec. 29, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Shunchih	Thurs., Dec. 29, 5 p.m.
Friday.		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. and *Europe via Siberia (Due Vancouver B.C., 16th Jan.)	Empress of Asia	Fri., Dec. 30. Parcels, Dec. 29, 5 p.m. Reg., Dec. 30, 9.15 a.m. Letters, Dec. 30, 10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiungchow	Fri., Dec. 30, 12.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri., Dec. 30, 1 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Muinam	Fri., Dec. 30, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Burdwan	Fri., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

THIS REVIVING WORLD

In a recent issue of the Westminster Bank Review, a financial expert, dealing with the prospects of the revival of British and world prosperity, wrote:

> *"If revival has not yet definitely begun, the stage has been set . . . . The Stock Exchange, the most sensitive of all barometers of national feeling, has begun to think once more in terms of future revival . . . .*
>
> *"The world's innate virility, in the face of the worst depression, has shown more than the first signs of determinedly reasserting itself . . . .*
>
> *"The present opportunity, the most promising since depression began, is far too precious to be lost for want of courageous collective action."*

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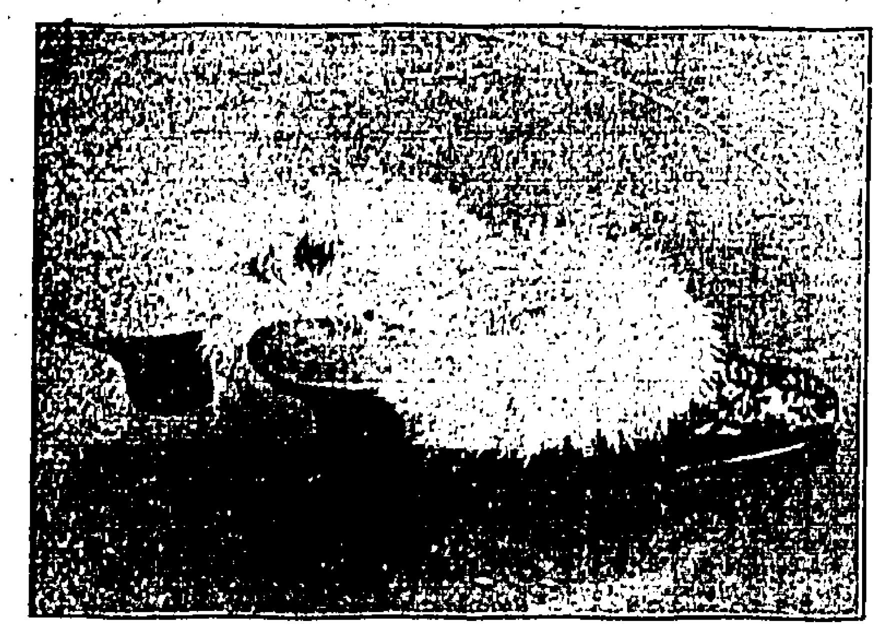

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S MARKET EASY

According to Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, the New York market was easy yesterday. Business done: 1,000,000 shares. The *Wall Street Journal* reports:—After an early advance the market declined due to dumping of block of from one thousand to more than seven thousand shares in order to establish tax losses. Considerable shares of General Motors, North American and Aviation were sold. Later the market firmed owing to improved November operating, showing railroads also better steel news than expected. The *Ironage Magazine* reported a lower holiday decline than anticipated, and stated:—The industry is holding slightly above depression low point despite usual year-end curtailment and output is estimated at 13%. There is no suspension in districts where automobile steel are the principal products except during week-end holidays. Detroit plants are operating five or six hearths, Cleveland area 26% and Pittsburgh area not above 12%. Mills will start new year with no important backlog tonnages with very indefinite prospects. It is expected, however, that business will improve moderately after the year end pause.

Dow-Jones averages:

	Dec. 27.	Dec. 28.
30 Industrials	57.60	57.87
20 Rails	24.24	24.60
20 Utilities	26.59	26.66
40 Bonds	76.65	76.86

	Dec. 27.	Dec. 28.
American Can	53¼	53¼
American Smelting	10⅝	11¼
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	102⅛	102⅝
Amer. Tob. "B"	57¼	56⅝
Anaconda Copper	5¾	5⅝
Auburn	47¼	47½
Bethlehem Steel	12⅝	12¼
Borden Company	23⅞	23⅞
Canadian Pacific Railway	13¾	13⅝
Chase National Bank	32¾	32½
Chrysler	15⅝	15⅝
Consolidated Gas of N.Y.	57½	57⅜
Drugs Inc.	35¼	35¼
Du Pont de Nemours	36⅛	35½
Eastman Kodak	52⅝	52¼
Electric Bond & Share	17⅛	17⅝
Electric Power & Light	5¾	5¾
General Electric	14⅝	14½
General Foods	23½	23⅞
General Motors	13	12¾
Gillette Safety Razor	17½	18
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	14	13¾
International Harvester	20¼	20⅛
International Tel. & Tel.	5⅛	5½
Kreuger & Toll	⅛	⅛
Liggett & Myers "B"	54½	55¼
Loew's Inc.	18⅜	18⅞
Montgomery Ward	12⅝	12⅝
National City Bank	41	Unq.
Pacific Gas & Electric	30⅛	30¾
Packard Motors	2⅛	2⅛
Pennsylvania	12⅞	13½
Radio Corporation	4	4⅛
Sears Roebuck	18½	18½
Shell Union	4¾	4¾
Socony - Vacuum Corporation	6⅞	6¼
Standard Oil Co., of N.J.	29¼	Unq.
Texas Corporation	12⅛	12⅛
Union Carbide & Carbon	25½	25½
Union Pacific	66⅞	67¼
United Aircraft & Trans.	25	25¼
U.S. Rubber	3⅞	4
U.S. Steel	25⅝	25⅝
Westinghouse E. & M.	26½	26⅞
Woolworth	35⅝	36

The opening ceremony and concert of the Normal Guide School, Kowloon, will be held in the Prince's Theatre on New Year's day at 9 a.m. Mrs. B. Silver will preside at the ceremony. There will be an entertainment in which the most attractive features will be a play "Two Comical Soldiers" acted by the Chung Sing Charitable Association, and a fantastic dance by the Chin Woo Athletic Association.

A man named Mark Ark, alias J. C. Wu, against whom a warrant has been issued by the Government of British Columbia for alleged murder, made another appearance before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court yesterday, when he waived extradition. The fugitive's escort, Detective-Inspector J. Ellice, of Vancouver, was present in Court. He takes custody of the prisoner on the trip to Canada, where the man will be tried. It is understood that the accused will leave on the Empress of Asia to-day.

LONDON STOCK PRICES

MARKET MUCH BRIGHTER

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuter. The market was generally bright yesterday, industrials being fairly active.

	Dec. 23.	Dec. 28.
Brit.-Amer. Tob.	103/1½	103/1½
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907	£ 59¼	£ 59¼
Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1924	£ 70¼	£ 70½
5% Shai.-Nanking Rly.	£ 40.45	£ 40.45
5% Tient.-Pukow Rly.	£ 27.32	£ 27.32
5% Tient.-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)	£ 25.30	£ 25.30
5% Shai.-Hangchow — Ningpo Railway	£ 78.83	£ 78.83
5% Hukuang Rly. 1911	£ 26.30	£ 26.30
5% Honan Rly.	£ 5.10	£ 5.10
5% Lung Tsing U. Hai Rly. 1913	£ 15.10	£ 15.19
Chinese Eng. & Min.	24/6	25/-
Canadian Pac. Rly.	$ 19⅞	$ 20⅝
Shanghai Electric Constr.	53/-	53/-
Burmah Oil	60/7½	60/7½
Anglo-Persian Oil	36/3	37/6
Mexican Eagle	7/1½	7/3
Royal Dutch	£ 18⅛	£ 18
J. & P. Coats	48/-	47/9
Daily Mail Trust	84/9	85/-
Imp. Chemical Industries	24/7½	24/9
Imp. Tobacco	96/9	97/6
General Electric (England)	89/-	88/6
Elec. & Musical Industries	11/1½	10/6
Turner & Newall	24/3	24/-
Unilever	30/9	30/9
Vickers	7/3	7/6
Woolworth	73/6	73/6
Ford Motors	19/9	18/9
Dunlop Rubber	19/6	19/10½
Burma Corpn.	9/7½	9/7½
Anglo-Dutch	9/3	9/3
Shell Trans. & Trad.	48/9	48/1½
Courtaulds	30/6	31/-
Everready	28/-	28/1½
Pinchin Johnson	28/6	28/9
Pekin Syndicate	1/9	1/9

SUGAR MARKET

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals

March 1933 5/1¼ down 2d.
May 1933 5/3¼ down 1¾d.
August 1933 5/6¼ down 1¾d.
December 1933 5/9¼ down 1¾d.

New York Terminals

		27th	28th
March	1933	.70	.70 down 2 pts.
May	1933	.75	.75 down 2 pts.
July	1933	.80	.80 down 2 pts.
Sept.	1933	.85	.85 down 2 pts.

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SHARE PRICES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Banks, $1675 b.
Hongkong Lon. Reg., £116¼ n.
Chartered Bank £12¾ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. £23½ n.
Mercantile Bank C., £9⅞ n.
East Asia, $108
Am: O. Finance Corp., $28 n.
China O. Fin. Orq., Tls.6 n.
China A. Fin. Pref. Tls. 4.60 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., $1240 b.
Union Ins., $560 s.
China Underwriters, $2.60 n.
China Fire $620 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., $1190 b.
International Assco, Tls. 4.15 b.

Shipping.

Douglas, $27.10 b.
H.K. Steamboats, $23 n.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) $45 n.
Ido-Chinas (Def.), $32 n.
Shell (Bear), 48/1½ n.
Union Waterboats, $20¾ b.

Mining.

Benguets, $18½ b.
Kailans, 26/3 n.
Langkats (Single), Tls.4 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls.2.10 n.
S'hai Loans, Tls.2.30 n.
Venz: Goldfields, $4.20 n.
Benguet Exp., 23 cts. n.

Docks, etc.

H.K. Wharves, $141½ b.
H.K. & Docks, $24 n.
S. China Motors A., $10 n.
S. China Motor B., $8 n.
Providents (old), $4.50 b.
Providents (new), $1.55 b.
Hongkews, Tls. 225 n.
New Engineerings, Tls.6.20 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls.95 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

Hotels (old), $10½ b.
Hotels (New), $9.90 b.
H.K. Lands, $75 b.
S'hai Lands, Tls. 25¼ n.
Metropolitan Lands, Tls. 10 n.
Humphreys, $14.90 b.
H.K. Realties, $8.25 b.
Asia Realties "A", $140 n
Asia Realties "B", $28 n.
Chinese Estates, $98 b.
China Realties, Tls.11.40 n.
China Debentures Tls.99½ n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 14.40 sa.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 73½ n.
Zoong Sings, Tls.11.75 b.
Wing On Textiles (S.) 125 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramway, $20.60 b.
Peak Trams (old), $15.60 n.
Star Ferries, $91 b.
Yaumati Ferries, (old), $34½ n.
Yaumati Ferries (new), $33.75 n.
China Light (old), $15¼ b.
H.K. Electric $76 b.
Macao Electric $27 n.
Sandakan Lights, $12 n.
Telephones (old), $30 n.
Telephones (new), $25.50 b.
China Buses, Tls.10 n.
Singapore Tractions, 2/- n.
Singapore Pref. 12/- n.

Industries.

Malabon Sugars $27½ n.
Cald: Macg. Ord.), Tls.14 n.
Cald: Macg. Pref.), Tls.10½ n.
Canton Ices, $6 n.
Cements (Com.), $10.30 s.
Cements (old), $8.75 sa.
Cements (new), $1.25 sa.
H.K. Ropes, $10¼ n.
Agriculturals, $7 n.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, $28.50 b.
Watsons (old), $12.75 n.
Watsons (new), $11.40 n.
Der. A. Wings, $1 n.
Sinceres $15.25 s.
Lane Crawfords, $5.40 n.
Mackintoshs, $21 n.
Wm. Powells. $3.35 n.
Wing O n(H.K.) $235 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements $16.50 n.
Entertainments, $13.40 n.
S.C. Enterprises, $3¼ n.
United Theatres Tls. 5.25 b.
Macao "Greyhounds," $10 n.
Construction (old), $6.10 n.
Construction (new), $1.40 n.
B. Ind. G.$ Bonds, $69% n.
Wallace Harpers, $10 s.
China Sports Ltd., $10 n.

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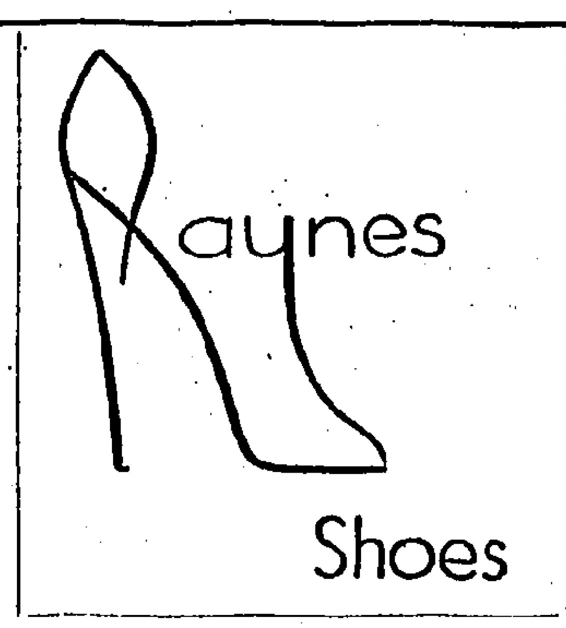

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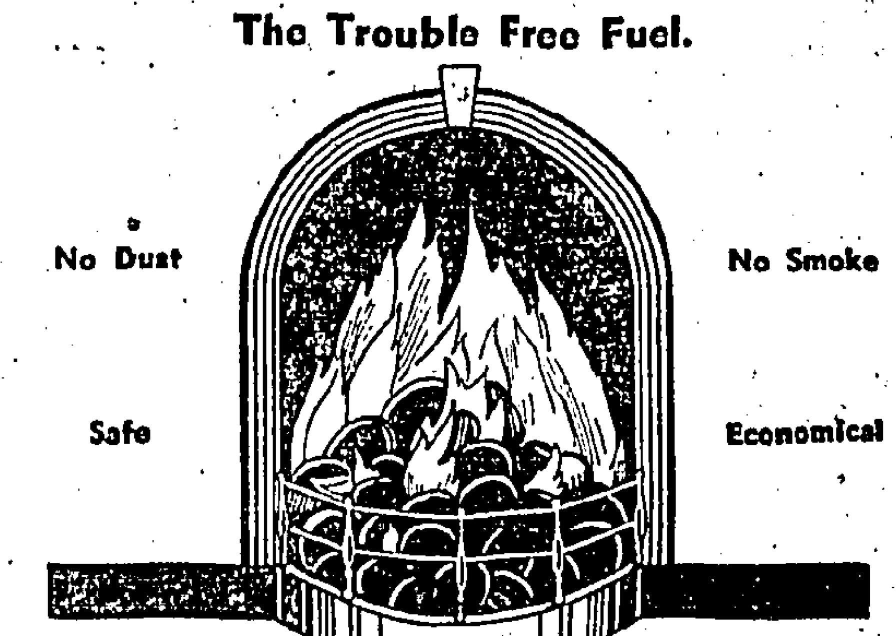

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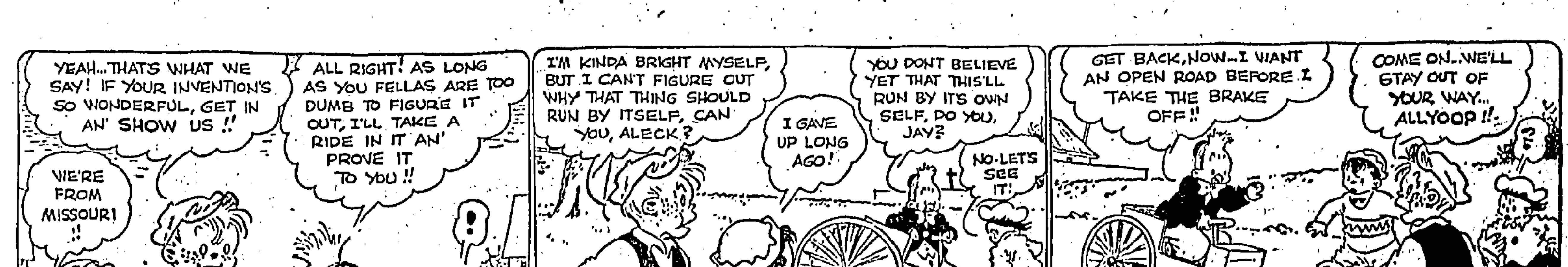

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THE DEMOCRATS AND WAR DEBTS

Having apparently failed in his efforts to induce Mr. Roosevelt to co-operate on the war debt question, President Hoover now seems disposed to take no further action in the matter. The prospect, therefore, is that the Democrats will have to shoulder the whole responsibility after they come into office in March. President Hoover, anxious that the matter should be taken in hand without delay, suggested the creation of a Commission to consider the whole problem, the personnel of this body to include one or two Democrats who would act in direct contact with Mr. Roosevelt during the inquiry. This idea, however, has proved inacceptable to the President-Elect, who merely wants a fact-finding Commission, not charged with consideration of the question of revision. In other ways, also, Mr. Roosevelt has shown a disinclination to co-operate, largely on the ground that his responsibility only begins after he takes office. This attitude is to be deplored, since it is plain that there will be very little time between March and June, when the next instalments are due, in which to reach decisions likely to be acceptable to America's debtors. The calling of a special session of the new Congress in the Spring is hinted at, in order that a general default may be prevented. Something of the kind will be necessary if a fresh deadlock is to be avoided. In this connexion, it is to be noted that the next instalments, due on June 15th, amount to approximately $135,000,000, and should there be a general default, complications of a serious nature may arise. Britain, for one, has made it clear that she does not propose to continue paying on the old basis, and it may be taken for granted that other of America's debtors also expect some revision of their debt-funding agreements. The Hoover plan, of starting a preliminary examination of the problem without delay, has everything to commend it. This contemplated restricting the task of the Commission to an examination of the position, with provision for subsequent reporting to the President, who by that time would most likely be Mr. Roosevelt, as the investigation would take a considerable period of time. In this way, definite progress would be assured and the foundations laid for a new approach to the whole problem. But the Democrats do not appear to be in any hurry. In the meantime, France has been making overtures to the United States, asking for some conciliatory gesture, such as a promise to participate in a debt conference, which might be offered to the French Chamber as an inducement to pay the December instalment on which France has defaulted. This fact provides further evidence of a desire for a fresh analysis of the whole position. Sooner or later, the United States has to face the fact that a new arrangement is desired. It would be better for everybody concerned had there been some show of a willingness on the part of America to deal with the matter on non-partisan lines.

Spring-Cleaning

A great domestic occasion is at hand, and in every household upheaval is impending. For it will soon be spring-cleaning time, when to all worthy housewives comes an urgent summons to see that the "boy" is at it with brush, broom, and duster. Room after room is turned topsy-turvy; upstairs and downstairs all is confusion; no sanctum escapes the invasion; no corner eludes the attack. The master of the house deprived of the fireside, his favourite chair enveloped in a dust-sheet, wanders unhappily about from room to room seeking a refuge, a place to rest and be quiet. But in vain. Wherever he goes the sound of the turmoil follows, though doors have been carefully shut and windows securely fastened. The shaking and scraping, the sweeping and scrubbing is audible all through the house and louder, more irritating, than anything else, the insistent hum of the electric vacuum sweeper. He does not protest, however, for that would invite a bitter reproach from his spouse. He does not argue, for argument will not prevail; nor does he threaten, for threats will only provoke. And even when all is straight once more, the normal atmosphere of restful calm restored, the home is not the same again and will not be for many weeks. Things are not where they were. The aspect of one room is rendered unfamiliar by a rearrangement of the furniture; another room has a strange appearance by reason of a picture moved; worst of all, under pretext of tidiness, treasured personal belongings have been put away in the most unlikely places. Your favourite pipe is missing. A most important document cannot be found. Your gloves are not where you left them. The book you were reading—where is it now? If you are lucky enough to find your possessions it will be only after an arduous search, and it may be you will only discover their hiding-place long afterwards by accident. But if you do find them, and when, take comfort in the thought that not for another year will your privacy thus be disturbed.

Brighter Statues

The keeper in the Victoria Embankment Gardens who had the temerity to try out a "guaranteed permanent polish" on one of the statues under his care is a brave man. The London County Council official who surprised him in the act might have delivered a biting homily on the recognised efficacy of elbow-grease, on the necessity, in the interests of public decency, of *someone* showing more than a cursory regard for the memory of those whom the public has seen fit to immortalise in bronze. Fortunately for the experimenter, his polish had a twinkle that enraptured even the official heart, and orders were given that every bronze memorial within sight should be thus permanently embellished. In future a monthly flick of the duster will suffice to keep their appearance unsullied. It is too early to say whether this new fashion will spread to the other statues, but there are certainly many that would benefit from a course of beauty treatment. The trouble about statues is that nobody troubles to make a fuss of them. This makes them dispirited, and gives them that wan, dejected look which gets on everyone's nerves. We saw how new life could be injected into a public memorial by removing Eros from his pedestal until his absence was felt. Of course, Eros is an exception. But we might try the experiment with some others. Instead of a permanent gloss what we need is some preparation which would make our statues invisible. Then it would be an easy matter to determine which of them we really care about.

WAKE UP, YOUNG ENGLAND!

By F. E. BAILY

It may be that what is called the alchemy of Time works marvels, and that with the passing years the modern young will become intelligent, responsible, industrious, learn to shut doors behind them, and cultivate some sort of mental life but I doubt it.

The reason is that in order to build one must first provide a foundation, and the modern young, as far as I can understand them, have provided no such foundation.

Intelligence, responsibility, industry, and a taste for cultivating the mind do not spring up overnight in the late twenties and early thirties like a crop of mustard and cress. A young person in the late 'teens whose acute personal interests are divided between a portable gramphone, wireless, and movies will never, leaving out miracles, develop any sort of mental life. Ambition, a taste for books, a high standard of achievement manifest themselves in the early years or not at all.

LACK OF BALLAST.

I am sure my lot were not so inept in their later 'teens as the present 18 and 19-year-olds. All my greatest friends in my last years at school know what they meant to do in life, had their plan of campaign mapped out, and were working solidly at school to pass their examinations, or specialising in some way for the job ahead of them. Most of them never lived to reap the harvest of their efforts, because the war intervened and they were killed, but they lived long enough and succeeded well enough to prove to me that the man who will go far develops responsibility very early in life.

In those pre-war days, which seems so antediluvian to the modern young, we were a great deal older for our age than they are; chiefly, I think, because a great deal more was expected of us and we expected more of ourselves. Life was much harder for the young at that time; only after the war did older people become sloppy about their juniors, and excuse them the drudgery everyone needs to go through who accomplishes anything, and coax them, and spoil them, and declare they must have this and that at any cost to someone else.

CHILDISH LOT.

As a result of all this spoiling I find to-day's young people a childish lot. It is very difficult to pick a young man or a young woman, if one has a job to offer, who will get down to the job and go at it for all he or she is worth, without being nursed and persuaded, and without needing elementary matters of spelling and punctuation, method and accuracy, pointed out over and over again.

And even after one has done all this persuading and pointing out, the young person's heart will seldom be in the job. He looks on it, and so does she, as an inevitable bore and nuisance, which he or she must drag through somehow in order to earn money for frocks and ties and dances and the movies. Nevertheless these lads and lassies must eventually come to dust, and the preliminary to dust is middle age, and what will the robins do then, poor things? They will no longer be young and slim enough to sit on the carriers of motor-bicycles or in narrow baby cars, and they will have no mental pursuits to fall back on, unless you call bridge a mental pursuit. They never opened a book when young, and they cut out even the mildly serious broadcasts. You can't suddenly take to books in despair, in the manner of one taking to drink or drugs.

So there the present young will be with such charm as they ever had waning or departed. As far as one can divine their future, they have an excellent chance of developing into a collection of cross, dissatisfied, aimless middle-aged bores.

UNCULTIVATED MINDS.

Middle-aged happiness is the fruit of youthful toil and exertion and diligently cultivated mental qualities. The physical attributes begin to decay early in life; a boxer is an old man at 30, and a footballer at 35, and even the cricketer at 40 is past his prime, though by skill and cunning he may linger on for a few more years. At 45, however, the mind should only be approaching its heyday, assisted by the psychological uplift which comes from definite success at one's job. But to succeed at one's job necessitates single-minded devotion to it in youth, and an eager, carefully controlled ambition; and the mind which has never been cultivated will never know a heyday.

Naturally there are exceptions, for one cannot logically condemn all young people. The individual will always out. With this reservation I do assert that on the whole those about to come of age at this period of history seem to me more trivial, childish, stupid, and unambitious than my generation was or than the present-day 10 to 12-year-olds will be.

Our 18 and 19-year-olds really cannot blame their scatty mindedness on the late war, for they remember nothing about it, and although they are fond of remarking that they inherited a shattered world and must clear up the mess made by their elders, really the presentday world is a much more convenient place to live in for all classes than the pre-war world was. I have lived in both and I know.

All these things being so, may I implore the young to take themselves in hand and develop rather more enterprise and a few mental resources before it is too late? I assure them my diagnosis of their sad state is by no means eccentric or morbid. Any employer of labour will agree with me. He will admit the existence of exceptions, but at the ruck of young people who come to him for jobs he can only shrug his shoulders.

DAYS OF MIDDLE-AGE.

We shall only be middle-aged once, and for those who have spent an intelligent youth, middle-age is a fine time, for many struggles and troubles lie behind and many pleasant prospects before. Alternately, if in the forties a person's mental age is still 17, then heaven help him, for his body will have grown out of his toys, and his mind will have found nothing to put in their place.

"Say, Joe, look and see if I got this safety belt on right."

He Very Idea!

BRING 'EM BACK ALIVE

By Edward "Congorilla" Kelly.

We have just seen "Bring 'Em Back Alive" at the Central Theatre.

And let us tell you right here and now, without any quibbling or beating about the jungle, that the only thing that's not real about those fighting animal scenes is the absence of a bottle of rum in the foreground.

The last time we saw animals doing all those stunts was just before they led us away to the Inebriates Home.

As one who has seen more animals, especially the pink and vermillion variety, than any other man in Hongkong, we want to congratulate Frank, who made "Bring 'Em Back Alive".

We have had a lot of experience with animals. Take bisons, for instance. A bison is a female bosun.

We remember a rather amusing incident that occurred in North America where we were for some weeks exterminating wild bisons for the Armenian Relief Society.

It was during the moulting season, and as a maddened beast rushed at us, we grabbed it by the horns, or front handles, intending to throw it away. Imagine our surprise when the skin came right away from the horns and left the animal standing naked before us!

On another occasion, while out on a big game hunt in Africa (most of the games are small in Africa. Ten cent jack-pots and fifty cent raises) one of our bearers approached with the news that there was an elephant of enormous proportions hiding behind our heap of lion skins.

We hastened to have a look at the animal and saw that despite its size it was no use as a specimen, as it had fallen arches. The huge beast seemed to be in pain, so lowering it gently on to its back, we called for one of the bearers to bring our medicine chest.

The poor beast was suffering from catarrh. After dosing it up, we wrapped its chest in red flannel and sent it on its way.

Eight months after, as we were standing on the wharf preparatory to sailing from Africa, we heard a loud trumpeting behind us, and looking around saw the same elephant coming towards us looking the picture of health and waving some bright coloured material in its trunk.

It had come to return the red flannel. The elephant never forgets. As a matter of fact, every Xmas he sends me a postcard.

WELL! WELL! WELL!

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OPERA PREMATURE.

To-day we are blase. We drift, we float in a Nirvana of Indifference. If you told us the nearest policeman was Garbo, we shouldn't bother to ask the time.

Yesterday we helped the producer of the Italian opera to put his chorus girls through their paces.

Our oculist says we shall probably have to wear smoked glasses for the rest of our life.

We got into the Star through a ventilator. A seething shoal of femininity had silted up the more orthodox entrances. The whole of the back-stage area was monopolised by young ladies putting on make-up and taking off clothes—the regulation garment for the audition being what is called a "practice dress." You can see that it is only practising.

We dropped into a seat in the stalls, feeling like a myopic sultan.

On the stage sparkled an alternating current of blondes, brunettes, and red-heads, each singing a few scales, flashing several teeth, and turning an ambitious ankle. Then "That'll do," said the producer round his cigar, and a pair of legs twinkled off.

"Paris had a soft job," was our verdict.

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WITH THE AUSSIES.

Pete always was an obstreperous sort of chap. When we were out at Fanling camp the other day, the blighters took us for a twenty mile route march.

The coolies who were fetching up in the rear with our supply of beer got lost, so after the first ten miles the C.O. halted us.

"Boys," he said, "what do you want to do. Wait for the coolies or continue the march. Those who want to wait take one step forward."

Everyone but Pete shuffled forward.

"Brave man," said the C.O. to Pete. "You are the only soldier in the squad. The only man who, in the face of sudden adversity, wanted to do his duty."

"Do me duty!" said Pete. "Why, I'm too blankey tired to take a step forward!"

ARMY'S GOOD RECOVERY

BRIGHT BATTING TO-DAY

GARTHWAITE'S 97

The Army made a splendid recovery in their second innings against the Navy on the Club ground to-day, carrying the overnight score of 81 for 2 wickets to 238.

They were all out at 3 o'clock, leaving the Navy to score 120 to win, an apparently easy task.

Lieut. Garthwaite was extremely unlucky to miss his century after batting in brilliant style. He reached 97 and was then caught in attempting to hit a boundary. His best strokes were fourteen fours and a six.

Yates was the most successful Navy bowler, taking 4 for 47, whilst Jemmett obtained a further two wickets for 48 runs.

The scores at 3 p.m. read:

Navy.—First innings:—106 (Lt-Comdr. Shaw 83.)

Army.—First innings:—86 (Jemmett 5 for 13).

Second Innings

Lt.-Col. Marsden, c Shaw, b Jemmett	10
Capt. Mirehouse, st. Shaw, b. Yates	33
Lieut. Garthwaite, c Jemmett, b Yates	97
Lt. Cragg, b Yates	11
L/Cpl. Colledge, c Drew, b Thompson	12
Pte. Dowey, l.b.w. Yates	13
Cpl. Davies, b Jemmett	15
Sig. Chaffey, b Edden	4
B. M. Trowt, c Donald, b Marsham	5
Lt. Young, not out	10
S/Sgt. Flood, b Eaden	8
Extras	11
Total	238

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Jemmett	9	0	48	2
Eaden	21.5	2	78	2
Burnett	4	0	19	0
Yates	17	3	47	4
Thompson	6	0	26	1
Marsham	2	0	9	1

NEW REGIME IN FOOCHOW

HOPES OF BETTER TIMES

Foochow, Dec. 24.

The new Provincial Government has taken office without a hitch, and everyone has great hopes for a better regime than was enjoyed under our late Governors. It is true that the value of small silver has fallen, apparently through fear that Cantonese money is to be imported, but otherwise propects seem bright. The new Finance Commissioner holds out strong hope that the Provincial budget will be balanced, and that all officials will be paid punctually, while taxation will, if anything, be made lighter.

The most sincere expressions of regret are in connexion with the departure of the Hon. Ch'eng Shin-Kuei, late Commissioner of Education, who had done so much during the last four years to push forward the work of education in Fukien. On Sat., Dec. 17, a farewell meeting was held at the Y.M.C.A. when over sixty representatives of the Christian Schools entertained him to lunch; and another gathering on Tues., Dec. 20. gave an opportunity for all educationists to give their tribute to his splendid work. In him Fukien loses a really great man.

Another loss has been sustained, this time by the foreign community especially, in the person of Dr. E.C. Dymond, who has just left for South Africa, after acting as Port Doctor for eighteen months. He was born in Yunnan, and had experience in South America and in Wenchow before coming to Foochow. His skill as a surgeon is far beyond the ordinary, and the departure of himself and Mrs. Dymond is much regretted.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

NANKING TAX IMPASSE

FOREIGN FIRMS NOT PAYING

Nanking, Dec. 28.

With reference to the action taken by the Nanking Municipal Government in requesting all legitimate municipal taxes, Mr. Lai Lien, Secretary General of the Municipal Government, disclosed in an interview to-day that a number of foreign firms had refused to pay the Business as well as Rental Taxes, which had long been enforced among the Chinese residents.

The Municipal Authorities have, therefore requested the foreign Consuls in Nanking to request their respective nationals to fulfil their obligations.

The Municipal Government official emphasised that the taxes involved were put into effect according to law and paid by the Chinese residents, there being no discrimination whatsoever.—*Reuter.*

SZECHUAN PEACE HOPES

KWEICHOW ALSO QUIETER

Nanking, Dec. 27.

After three months' fighting in which thousands of lives were lost and as a result of which a large part of the province has been plunged into chaos, peace appears to be looming now in Szechuan as General Liu Wen-hui, Chairman of the Provincial Government, after losing the decisive battle at Kiating and Shenju, has sent a despatch to General Liu Hsiang, asking for an armistice and indicating his desire to retire.

Hopes are being entertained that an amicable settlement will be reached between the warring factions.

The vernacular papers here estimate that in the battle of Kiating which lasted fully ten days and which resulted in a decisive victory for General Liu Hsiang, over ten thousand officers and troops were killed. The papers anticipate a peace conference among the Szechuan warlords which will discuss and decide on the new distribution of garrison areas.

One report states that General Liu Wen-hui, after relinquishing his Szechuan chairmanship, may become head of the new province of Sikong.

Chinese reports received here also indicate that the Kweichow situation has also taken a turn for the better owing to the National Government announcing the appointment of Yu Kuo-tsai as Acting Chairman of the Kweichow Provincial Government and dismissal of the ousted governor, General Wang Kia-lieh. Fighting in that province has completely ceased.

The Government is hopeful that peace will shortly be restored to both Szechuan and Kweichow.—*Reuter.*

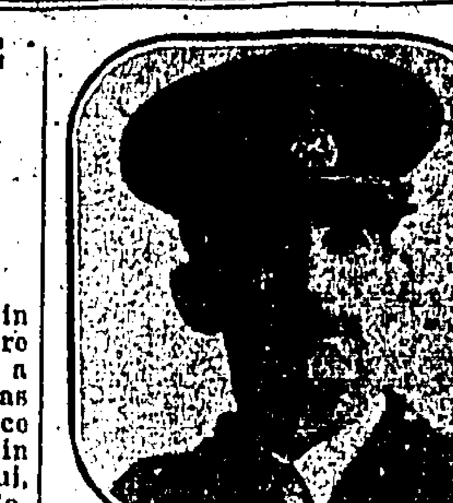
SERVICE MEN ENTERTAINED

HAPPY GATHERING LAST NIGHT

Over 150 Service men and their wives were entertained to a Christmas Party, last evening, the arrangements being made by the Rev. E. C. Tribbeck and civilian friends.

Following a Christmas supper, an impromptu concert was held, those taking part being the Medway Concert Party, Mrs. Matheson and Stoker Petty Officer Rider. Numerous competitions were held and prizewinners included Stoker Petty Officer Rider, Mr. Schofield, Leading Seaman A. J. Hurrell and Petty Office Cooley.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. S. Boulton, and the organisers were thanked on the motion of Stoker Petty Officer Rider. Amongst those present were Rev. F. E. ("Bob") Ford, the Toc H. Padre, and Mr. H. Chappell.



H.E. Major General O. C. Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., the new G.O.C. China Command, who arrived in Hongkong yesterday. He succeeds Major General J. W. Sandilands.

FENG'S FUTURE DISCUSSED

REFUSES TO LEAVE KALGAN

Peking, Dec. 28.

With reference to the report that the northern military leaders who are gathered here for a conference discussing the North China political situation, have decided to ask Gen. Fung Yu-hsiang to either leave for abroad or accept a Government post and move elsewhere, it is reliably learned that General Feng has indicated his intention not to leave Kalgan owing to the pressure which is being brought upon him.

It is stated that General Feng has made it clear that at present he will continue his stay in Kalgan, declaring that he is a Chinese citizen and also a number of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang and therefore he is able to live where he pleases.

The question of General Feng Yu-hsiang's future, it would appear, is the chief topic of discussion among many militarists now gathered here. It is to be noted that three suggestions have been made: (1) That the Government provide Feng with funds to go abroad, (2) That the Government invite him to go to Nanking to take up a ministerial post, and (3) That the Government designate a place where Feng must live.—*Reuter.*

COTTON & WHEAT

LATEST NEW YORK QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz have received the following quotations on the New York cotton and wheat exchanges for yesterday:

Cotton

	Opening Range	Closing Range
January	5.77–5.77	5.82–5.82
March	5.91–5.92	5.95–5.96
May	6.05–6.03	6.08–6.09
July	6.17–6.17	6.21–6.21
October	6.35–6.34	6.40–6.41
December	6.46–6.46	6.52–6.52
Spot	6.00	

Wheat

	Chicago	Winnipeg
December	43	40¾
May	44	42¼
July	44¼	43⅝

DAY BY DAY: NEWS IN BRIEF

A WOMAN IS THE MIGHTIEST POWER IN THE WORLD, AND IN HER HAND IT LIES TO GUIDE A MAN WHITHER GOD ALMIGHTY WOULD HAVE HIM GO.—*Ibsen.*

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The Earl and Countess of Harrowby were amongst the passengers who arrived in the Colony by the P. and O. liner Carthage yesterday.

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The Rev. F. E. ("Bobs") Ford, the Toc H. Padre, will preach at the Methodist Church, Wanchai, on Sunday morning next, and on January 8th he will preach at the Cathedral at Matins.

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Injuries to his head was received by a Chinese Lai Mai, aged 18, of 373, Reclamation Street, when a wooden trestle accidentally fell from the verandah of 328, Shanghai Street, striking him on the head.

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Cheung King, aged 49, of 34, Catchick Street, West Point, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries to his head as a result of falling from a motor lorry in Kennedy Town.

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At a meeting of the H.K. Practical Psychology Club at Lane Crawford's Restaurant at 6 p.m. on Friday, the speaker will be Mr. Victor K. Kwong, and the subject: "Some observations on Advertising and Business-Psychology."

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Whist being driven along Lockhart Road in a motor lorry yesterday morning, a man named Ng Shing, aged 60, fell into the roadway and received injuries to his head and face. He was later removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

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A stable boy of the Volunteer Stables at Fanling was removed to the Kowloon Hospital on Tuesday night suffering from injuries to the lower part of his abdomen, inflicted by two men and two women during a quarrel on the railway line between Fanling and Sheung Shui on Tuesday afternoon.

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During the Christmas holidays, three cases of small-pox, one of diphtheria and four of meningitis were reported to the local Medical Officer of Health.

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The wedding will shortly take place between Mr. George Henry Bissinger, of the University Club, Manila, and Miss Winifred Allen Scott, 4109, N. Stevens Street, Tacoma, Wash., U.S.A.

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A member of the compradore's staff of the s.s. Solviken, Yiu Ah-tau, accidentally fell into a hatchway on board and received injuries to his head and left hip yesterday. Although not in a serious condition he was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

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The Postmaster General wishes to draw attention to the revised rates for the Saigon-Marseilles Air Mail Service published in the Mail Notice. The new rates, are inclusive of all postage charges, and the service has been extended to include a special quarter ounce letter rate, postcards and printed papers, commercial papers and samples.

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The death occurred on Tuesday afternoon at the Royal Naval Hospital, of Petty Officer Sterling of H.M.S. Veteran, who died of double pneumonia after a week's illness. The funeral, with full Naval honours, took place yesterday afternoon at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, being largely attended by officers and men from deceased's ship.

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Pun Tun-shui, *alias* Poon Ngoi-shan (or Sun), a retired merchant, late of 17, Fook On Street, Honam, Canton, who died on September 28th., 1918, left local estate valued at $44,100. Probate to the will was granted on January 24th, 1920, to his widow, Pun Chan-shi, who died on January 21st. 1931, intestate and leaving part of the estate unadministered. Letters of administration *cum testamento annexo de bonis non* have now been granted to Pun Hung-po, 6, High Street, and Pun Pik-lun, 127, Des Voeux Road West.

OPERA SEASON STARTS

FINE PERFORMANCE LAST NIGHT

In presenting those two masterpieces of grand opera, "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "I Pagliacci," the S. Carlo Grand Opera Company not only made a brilliant opening to their local season at the Star Theatre last night, but assured themselves of the success of their stay in Hongkong.

In spite of the fact that the arrangements were obviously of the last-minute rush type, a fine crowd assembled at the Star Theatre to welcome this Company, already prime favourites in Hongkong. They were not disappointed. The magnificent work of Mlle. Galli as Santuzza in Cavalleria Rusticanna delighted the audience. She was in her best voice and also brought into effective play her histrionic skill.

M. Scamuzzi as Alfio was brilliant, and splendid supporting solo singing was given by Mlle. Moretti, M. Royo and Mlle. Baldini. The chorus work, in view of their few numbers, was exceptionally fine, and the orchestra, under Cav. G. Pucetti, after an indifferent start, warmed to their task and finished triumphantly.

Pagliacci was even finer, and it is regrettable that the names of the cast were not included on the programme which precludes us from offering well-deserved tributes.

Several portions of the opera were outstanding and elicited ovations from the audience, such as the prologue of Silvio, the "Laugh Pagliacco" song of Canio, and the solos of Nedda.

It was altogether an exceptionally fine entertainment, and the further appearances this and next week, of the Company are certain to attract big audiences.

NEW ELECTRIFIED RAILWAY

LONDON TO BRIGHTON IN AN HOUR

London, Dec. 28.

The Mayor of London and the Lady Mayoress will open the Southern Railway's new electrified line from London to Brighton on Friday.

The new service, for which luxuriously-equipped coaches have been built, will operate from Sunday. New trains each costing £35,000 will accomplish the London-Brighton journey of fifty miles non-stop in sixty minutes.—*British Wireless.*

EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 23.	Dec. 28.
Paris	85.7/16	85.5/16
Geneva	17.31	17.30
Berlin	13.98	13.17½
Helsingfors	229	229
Oslo	19.40	19.40
Athens	625	625
Milan	65	65
Buenos Aires	Nom.	Nom.
Shanghai	1/7⅞	1/7¼
New York	3.33⅝	3.33
Amsterdam	8.30	8.28¾
Vienna	28½	28½
Prague	112½	112⅝
Madrid	40.15/16	40.13/16
Bucharest	560	565
Hongkong	1/3.3/16	1/3⅝
Brussels	24.00½	23.97½
Stockholm	18.30½	18.30½
Copenhagen	19.29½	19.29½
Lisbon	109½	109½
Rio	5⅝	5⅝
Bombay	1/6.11/64	1/6⅛
Yokohama	1/3⅝	1/3.3/16
Montevideo	30	30
Montreal	3.82½	3.75¾
War Loan	98¾	98.13/16
Belgrade	247½	245
Silver (spot)	16.13/16	16½
Silver (forward)	16.13/16	16.9/16

—*British Wireless.*

MR. OGIER'S DEATH.

TRAGEDY AT KOWLOON DOCKS RECALLED

The enquiry into the death of Mr. Theodore Ogier, Chief Officer of the s.s. Kwongsai, whose body was found in a camber in Kowloon Docks in the early hours of the morning of December 8, was continued at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon with Mr. Butters sitting as Coroner. The jury empanelled consisted of Messrs. J. H. Shaw (foreman), Wong Chor-leong and P. W. Osborne.

Evidence was given by Dr. J. B. Mackay, who stated that death was caused by drowning and gave the opinion that the body could not have been in the water for less than six hours.

Mr. R. Owen, of the s.s. Cheung On, testified to seeing the deceased on the night of December 7.

The Coroner, at the conclusion, said the evidence given throughout the enquiry indicated that the deceased was sober when returning to the ship.

The jury agreed, and returned a verdict of "death by misadventure."

They further made the recommendation that guard rails or warning lights should be placed around the camber.

RADIO BROADCAST

PIANO RECITAL FROM THE STUDIO

From Z. B. W. on wave-length of 355 metres (845 k/c).

5-8 p.m. European programme.

5-6 p.m.

A relay of the Reveller's Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden by courtesy of the Management (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio).

6-7.40 p.m. A programme of Victor and H.M.V. records.

6-6.23 p.m. Operatic.

Song—Trovatore—Fierce Flames are Soaring! (Verdi).
Song—Samson et Dalila—My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice (Saint-Saens).
Louise Homer (Contralto). 1422.

Band—Mefistofele—Prologue (Boito, arr. Creatore).
Band—Selections from Mefistofele (Boito, arr. Creatore).
Creatore's Band. 35971.
Song—Rigoletto—'Mid the Fair Throng (Verdi).
Song—Don Pasquale—Fond Dream of Love (Donizetti).
Tito Schipa (Tenor). 1282.

6.23-6.50 p.m. A Concert.

Song—Margaret at the Spinning Wheel (Schubert).
Maria Jeritza (Soprano). 6704.
Piano Solo—Variations on Themes from Carmen (Bizet-Horowitz).
Piano Solo—Mazurka in C Sharp Minor (Chopin).
Vladimir Horowitz. 1327.
Song—Out of the Night (Lidgey).
Song—The Yeoman's Wedding (Poniatiwski).
Percy Homing (Baritone). E437.

Violin Solo—Gypsy Caprice (Kreisler).
Violin Solo—Shepherd's Madrigal (Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler. 6712.

7 p.m.

(Closing Local Stock Quotations, Selected London and New York Stock Quotations, etc.).

6.50-7.40 p.m. Variety.

Selection—Puttin' on the Ritz.
New Mayfair Orchestra. C1893.
Song—The Moon is Low.
Frank Luther (Tenor). 22330.
Fox Trot—If It Ain't Love.
Leo Reisman & His Orchestra. 24011.

Organ Solo—A Little Kiss Each Morning.
Reginald Foort. B3324.
Negro Spiritual Medley.
Paul Robeson with Jack Hylton & His Orchestra. C2287.
Selection—Dear Love.
New Mayfair Orchestra. C1792.
Selection—Happy Days.
New Mayfair Orchestra. C1893.
Song—What is This Thing Called Love?
Frank Luther (Tenor). 22330.
Fox Trot—Night Shall be Filled With Music.
Leo Reisman & His Orch. 24011.
Organ Solo—If I Had a Talking Picture.
Reginald Foort. B3324.

7.40-8 p.m. From the Studio.

A Pianoforte recital by Mr. Frank Taylorson.

Programme.

1. Etude in C Sharp Minor (Scriabine).
2. Asphodel (Cyril Scott).
3. Night in May (Palmgren).
4. Clair de Lune (Debussy).
5. La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin (Debussy).
6. Valse Romantique (Debussy).

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.3-10.30 p.m. Chinese Concert from the Studio.

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.35 p.m. Close Down.

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6.30 p.m. Gramophone records of popular Chamber Music.

7.15 p.m. News Bulletin.

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6.00 p.m.—Studio Music.
6.10 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.
6.30 p.m.—English Informational Period.
7.00 p.m.—Benavides Radio Club.
7.30 p.m.—Studio Requests.
7.45 p.m.—Rockne Programme.
8.00 p.m.—L. R. Aguinaldo—New Year in Bohemia—Maria Ripoll.
8.30 p.m.—Apo Cement Programme Lopez Luna.
8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations.
8.50 p.m.—Ibanag Programme—Maximo Lazo and Atanacio Vargas.
9.20 p.m.—Rizal Anniversary Programme.
10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

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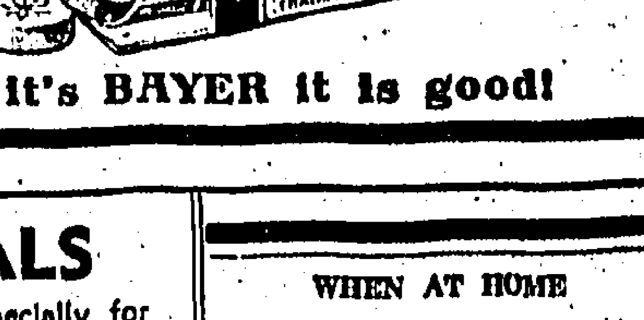

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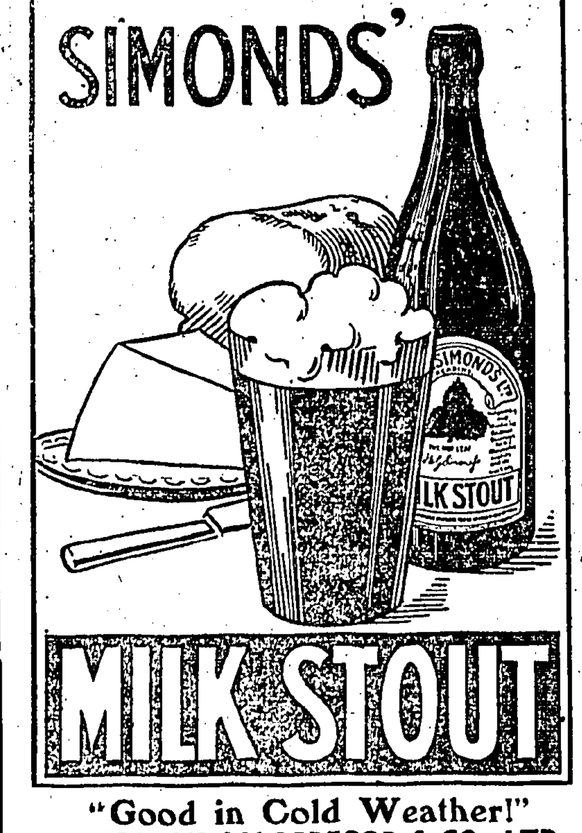

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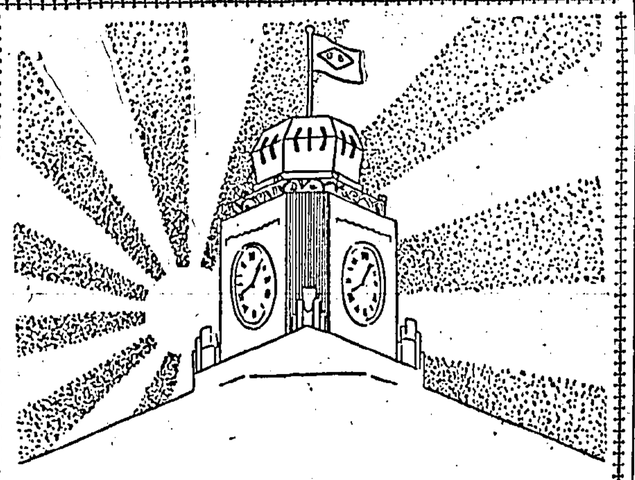

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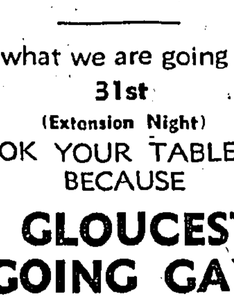

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Nawab of Pataudi
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Australia's chosen may be:

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D. G. Bradman
W. Fingleton
S. McCabe
W. Oldfield
C. Grimmett
L. P. O'Brien
R. Oxenham
T. Wall
L. O'Reilly

THE second Test match between England and Australia starts at Melbourne to-morrow.

This will also be the 29th encounter between the two countries on this magnificent ground, where records of every description have been set up.

Both Australia and England have built up glorious traditions and achieved remarkable performances on this enclosure, and with excitement and interest at fever pitch, one of the greatest cricket matches of all time is promised during the forthcoming week.

England go to Melbourne, not only happy in the knowledge that they won the first Test, but that on this ground they have fully held their own. In their 28 Test visits to Melbourne, England have emerged successful a dozen times, and have drawn two others.

The first match of the official series was played on this enclosure, when Australia won by 45 runs, but in the same tour at Melbourne the visitors turned the table, winning by six wickets.

LAST MELBOURNE WIN.

The last time England won at Melbourne was in 1928-9, when A.P.F. Chapman and his men won the all-important third Test by three wickets.

The following is a synopsis of the results on the Melbourne enclosure:

1876-7—Australia won by 45 runs
England won by 4 wickets
1878-9—Australia won by 10 wickets
1881-2—Two matches drawn
1882-3—Australia won one wicket
England won inns and 27 runs
1884-5—England won ten wickets
England won inns and 98 runs
1891-2—Australia won by 54 runs
1894-5—England won 94 runs
England won by six wickets
1897-8—Australia won inns and 55 runs
Australia won by eight wickets
1901-2—Australia won by 229 runs
Australia won by 32 runs
1903-4—England won by 185 runs
Australia won by 218 runs
1907-8—England won by one wicket
Australia won by 308 runs
1911-12—England won by eight wickets
England won by inns and 225 runs
1920-1—Australia won inns and 91 runs
Australia won eight wickets
1924-5—Australia won 81 runs
England won by inns and 29 runs
1928-9—England won by three wickets
Australia won by five wickets

TEST RECORDS.

Melbourne probably boasts more Test records than any other ground in Australia. Here are a few, many of which may easily be upset during the approaching match.

The second highest aggregate made by England against Australia was compiled there in 1911-12, when 589 runs were scored in a single innings. This was the best achievement by the English cricketers until 1928-9, when the new figures of 636 were established at Sydney.

Melbourne always draws huge attendances. For the third Test there in 1928-9, no less than 262,467 people attended, which is easily a record, the next best being at Melbourne in 1924-5, when at the second Test 239,175 watched England lose.

Herbert Sutcliffe has been one of the happiest of English cricketers on the Melbourne turf. Altogether he has scored four Test centuries there, including one in each innings in 1924-5.

Walter Hammond scored 200 there in 1928-9, and Leyland, another member of the present team, registered his first century in Australia at Melbourne in 1928-9.

Melbourne has seen Test Match "hat-tricks" on four occasions, Bates accomplishing it for England in 1882, and Spofforth in 1878 and H. Trumble in 1901 and 1903 for Australia.

England's record first wicket partnership was established at Melbourne, when in 1911 J.B. Hobbs and W. Rhodes put on 323 before separation. The same ground also saw D.G. Bradman and A. Kippax set up the Australian 5th wicket partnership record of 183 in 1928-9.

It is with these glorious achievements as a background that England and Australia meet again to-morrow. The result is of prime importance, as a win for England means that the "ashes" are almost a certainty.

No indication has yet been made as to the probable composition of the English side, although it is likely that Tate will come in to assist Larwood in the attack to the possible exclusion of verity.

Ames batting failure in the first Test may also mean that Duckworth will be preferred behind the stumps. Otherwise it is fair to assume that the English team will remain unchanged from the Sydney Test composition.

Australia, in selecting thirteen for the final choice, has left out Nagel and Kippax, who disappointed and brought in Oxenham and O'Brien. Don Bradman is certain to play to-morrow, and it is possible that Ironmonger and Richardson will be dropped in the final selection.

A new picture of N. W. Woodfull the Australian captain.

DON BRADMAN.

COMPETITORS in the Machine Gun Troop steeplechase at the Christmas meeting of the Fanling Race and Hunt Club are seen here taking a hurdle and the water jump hazard. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

GOOD CRICKET

NAVY IN SOUND POSITION

ARMY HAVE TO FOLLOW ON

The Navy obtained a winning grip on the game when they met the Army in the Triangular Cricket Tournament at the Hongkong Cricket Club ground yesterday, and at the close of play had forced their opponents to follow on against a score of 196.

Three players were responsible for this. Lt.-Comdr. J. R. Shaw first of all smote the Army bowling to all parts of the field to score 83 in a little over half an hour, and later Marine Jemmett and PayLt-Comdr. Yates skittled out the Army for a paltry 86.

Jemmett sent down only 28 balls, but with these he obtained 5 wickets for 13 runs.

Yates, in bowling 11 overs, of which three were maidens, conceded 21 runs for his three wickets.

The Army made a better showing when they followed on 110 runs in arrears, and at the close had hit off 81 for the loss of two wickets. Capt. Mirehouse played the bowling with confidence to score 33 before being stumped by Shaw, and Lieut. Garthwaite was well set with 27 to his credit and still unbeaten.

SCORES:

Navy. 1st innings:—196 (Lieut-Comdr. Shaw 83).

ARMY.—1ST INNINGS.

B. M. Trowt, c and b Yates	4
Cpl. Davies, l.b.w., b Yates	0
Lt. Cragg, c Burnett, b Jemmett	8
Lt. Garthwaite, c Farnhill, b Jemmett	16
S/Sgt. Flood, b Jemmett	2
L/Cpl. Colledge, run out	0
Capt. Mirehouse, not out	18
Sig. Chaffey, b Yates	4
Pte. Dewey, b Eaden	5
Lt. Col. Marsden, c Eaden, b Jemmett	6
Lt. Young, b Jemmett	0
Extras	14
Total	86

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Yates	11	3	21	2
Eaden	12	3	33	1
Jemmett	4.4	1	13	5
Marsham	3	1	6	–

ARMY.—2ND INNINGS.

Lt. Col. Marsden, c Shaw, b Jemmett	10
Capt. Mirehouse, st. Shaw, b Yates	33
Lt. Garthwaite, not out	27
Lt. Cragg, not out	2
Total (for 2 wkts.)	81

Stan McCabe, Australia's brilliant all-round cricketer, who played a magnificent game in the first Test.

ANOTHER THRASHING FOR R.A.O.C.

Police Net Four Times Without Reply

In the only Mamak Tournament game played yesterday the police defeated the Royal Army Ordinance Corps by four goals to nil.

Only one goal was scored in the opening half and play was even, but after the interval the Police had things very much their own way and netted three more. The scorers were Pile, Pennell, K. Singh and Gulam Mohamed.

LEAGUE TABLE.

Up to and including yesterday's games:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Radio	13	12	1	0	54	8	25
Royal Signals	15	11	2	2	52	15	24
1st. H.K.S. Battery	11	10	1	0	51	9	21
Medway	13	6	5	2	27	14	17
R.A.S.C.	16	6	4	6	23	24	16
St. Andrew's	10	7	1	2	36	11	15
Incognitos	7	7	0	0	27	3	14
Police	8	5	2	1	17	10	12
R.A.M.C.	15	3	5	7	15	25	11
'Varsity	9	5	0	4	17	20	10
Royal Engineers	14	4	1	8	13	32	9
Phoenix	9	3	3	3	16	17	9
12th Battery	9	4	1	4	16	13	9
Tamar	12	3	2	7	13	24	8
Wishart	5	3	0	2	10	15	6
Parthian	6	3	0	3	13	13	6
Veteran	5	2	0	3	4	7	4
24th Battery	8	1	2	5	7	21	4
German Club	10	2	0	8	8	37	4
20th Battery	9	1	1	7	3	19	3
Destroyers	2	0	1	1	3	4	1
K.I.T.C.	13	0	1	12	7	51	1
R.A.O.C.	11	0	1	10	0	37	1

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Tamar Marines Defeat R.A.O.C.

STONECUTTERS' MATCH.

A shooting match took place at Stonecutters Range yesterday between the Royal Marines of H.M.S. Tamar and the Royal Army Ordnance Corps. The conditions of the match were a sighter and five to count at 200, 500, and 600 yards.

Scores:

Royal Marines.	200	500	600	Total.
Capt. Burgess R.M.	18	18	20	56
Clr. Sgt. Branton	17	17	15	49
Sgt. Dyble	22	22	21	65
Cpl. Spray	15	20	19	54
Marine Terry	20	18	19	57
Marine Willows	20	21	23	64
Total				345

R.A.O.C.	200	500	600	Total
Sgt. Major Anderson	17	19	15	51
St. Sgt. Farquhar	18	22	17	57
St. Sgt. Clarke	22	23	18	63
Sgt. Chapelle	18	23	24	65
Sgt. Emery	19	22	20	61
Sgt. Smith	12	12	16	40
Total				337

LADIES' GOLF.

The following is the draw for the Taggart Cup to be played over the New Course, Fanling:

Miss Curtin v. Mrs. C. B. Brown; Miss Robinson v. Mrs. Valentine; Miss Phillipowsky v. Mrs. Lissaman; Miss Grahame v. Mrs. Stafford Smith; Mrs. Rodgers v. Mrs. Munro; Mrs. Roberts v. Mrs. Syme Thomson; Mrs. Sheldon v. Mrs. Mackenzie; Mrs. Roffey v. Mrs. Railton.

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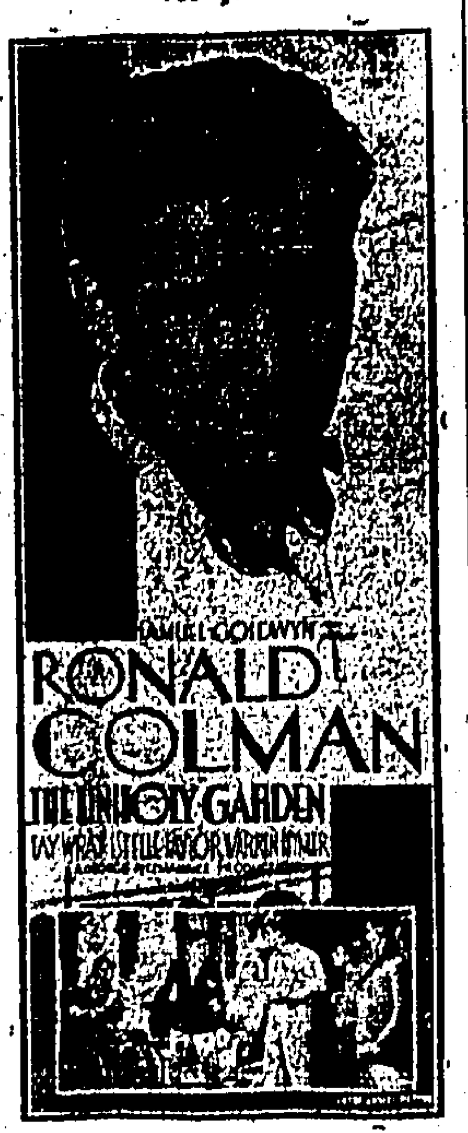

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BLOCK OF FLATS

TO AID FUNDS OF TUNG WAH HOSPITAL

An interesting ceremony took place yesterday, when the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, laid the foundation stone of a block of flats to be built by the Tung Wah Hospital Committee on the site occupied by the old Po Leung Kuk.

The houses are to be erected for the purpose of bringing in funds to wipe off the deficit with which the Tung Wah Hospital is faced each year. The rent roll, it is estimated, will bring in about $20,000 per year.

The work of construction has been undertaken by Messrs. Kin Cheong.

Mr. Hallifax's Speech.

The Hon. Mr. Hallifax said:

Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Ladies and Gentlemen,—I am always glad to be publicly associated with the work of our old charitable Committees, but I have never before to-day had an opportunity of dealing with two of them at once.

The Tung Wah Hospital and the Po Leung Kuk are, I think, our two oldest, and while their duties are very properly kept clearly distinct, to-day affords a unique example of the harmony with which they always work.

This plot of ground was originally granted by the Government to the Tung Wah Hospital for use as a hospital—that was in 1895; but the next year, 1896, we find that the Tung Wah had lent it to the Po Leung Kuk without asking anybody—even the Government. The Po Leung Kuk Committee found money and built the institution which has for all these years done such good work on this site. Having outgrown it and removed to the magnificent new premises at Soo Kun Po, the Committee handed back the site and all the buildings on it to the Tung Wah Hospital. But that did not restore the old position, even if the Tung Wah Hospital had not sacrificed their original claim to the ground by giving it irregularly to the Po Leung Kuk; for the Tung Wah Hospital has also developed a new hospital building at Soo Kun Po (incidentally near enough to the new Po Leung Kuk to preserve all the old relations) and does not require this land for the direct purposes of a hospital any more.

For Revenue Producing.

But our expenditure has gone up, quite apart from the higher standard and the additional accommodation afforded by the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital, and we want this ground to help us in providing revenue to meet our bills. And that is where the Government came in—another party to this successful co-operative system. H.E. the Governor recommended that the area should be used by the Tung Wah Hospital for revenue producing purposes. The Secretary of State approved without hesitation; and it was something of a relief to see the old irregularities so readily condoned and, indeed, new and wider privileges granted, in well-earned recognition of the work of both institutions. And then the Tung Wah Hospital Committee appears again to do the real hard work—and that is why I like being associated with the Colony's charitable committees, because they always do all the real hard work. With a minimum of delay Mr. Chan Lim-pak and his colleagues have brought us to the point we have reached to-day, when I have had the honour of laying this foundation stone, which in a very few years' time will mean an addition to the revenue of the Hospital of over $20,000 per annum.

Taking Stock.

The matter of watching our Revenue has become, in the circumstances of to-day, a more than usually important one, and I would like to refer to it rather more fully.

For years now the Tung Wah Hospital has been incurring large additional capital expense in the cause of Hongkong charity at all its three large hospitals; but with the completion of the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital, which we hope His Excellency the Governor will open to-morrow, the Committee can fairly say that they have reached a stage where they should pause and take stock of their resources. All our developments mean extra annual expenditure—not only for extra patients, but, with the higher standards which general progress has insisted upon, for each and every separate patient. I believe the Chinese community has such complete faith in the Tung Wah Committee that it will answer any call that the Committee decides to make; but I wonder whether we cannot reduce those calls, and do it without in any way outraging the charitable instincts for which the Chinese people are so remarkable?

Too Much Charity.

An obvious method, of course, is to concentrate for a time on our revenue and endowment. A good start has been made to-day, and I should like to see the rest of this site covered with buildings that will help us out still further. But there is the more important and difficult question of the old Tung Wah Hospital itself. Its life is nearly done, and reconstruction must very shortly be taken in hand; but the nature of the reconstruction is the problem. If you had twenty such free hospitals in the Colony you would no doubt be able to fill them all; but I would ask the Committee and the community to harden its charitable heart just a very little, and to ask whether we are not being exploited to some degree. Are there not many patients in our hospitals who should not be there at all—who at the most should be out-patients only? Are there not a number of others who can well afford to pay? And are there not others still who would be anxious to pay some small fee—even 10 or 20 cents a day; less than the cost of a day's food—if the opening was only brought to the notice of all patients? I would not have anyone pressed to pay; I only suggest that they should be given the opportunity.

Reduction of Patients.

My conclusions, as concerns the old hospital, are that we cannot and need not for a long time consider the reconstruction of a large hospital on the site. Something is required, no doubt, but a lot of the ground can be sacrificed and used, with permission, for revenue purposes, though I would not under circumstances contemplate alteration of the old Tung Wah Hall with its wealth of tradition. A smaller hospital here, on more modern lines, would meet all immediate needs; but the bulk of the work should in my view centre for the future in Tung Wah Eastern Hospital. Here, and there, and in the Kwong Wah especially, the number of patients, can, I believe, properly be reduced, and perhaps the revenue assisted to a small extent by action along the lines I have indicated; and I feel quite sure that the Committee which initiates such action—it will take courage—will be acclaimed not as hard-hearted but as faithful guardians of the cause of true charity.

To the honour of laying this stone has been added the opportunity of expressing my personal views, and I fear I have taken full advantage of them. But I too as Secretary for Chinese Affairs, have a share in the co-operation of our charities; and my anxiety is to help in raising to a still higher point of efficiency the very effective work that the Tung Wah Hospital has steadily done from the day of its foundation.

AIR TO AFRICA.

SIR ERIC GEDDES MAKES INSPECTION TOUR

London, Dec. 28.

Sir Eric Geddes, Chairman of Imperial Airways, left London yesterday on a flying visit to stations on the London-Capetown air route. He will visit Rome en route to discuss with the Italian authorities questions arising out of operations on the international air services.

The Imperial Airways African route has been operated with great success, traffic during the past three months increasing by approximately 50 per cent. The Air mail is flying with a reliability of 99 per cent. in northern sections of the African route and 100 per cent. in the South. Sir Eric Geddes said the British taxpayers, in their assistance of civil aviation, were obtaining better results than those of any other country.—*British Wireless.*

POPULAR OFFICER

POLICE PAY TRIBUTE TO C.D.I. REYNOLDS

Chief Detective Inspector A. N. Reynolds, who will leave for Home on Saturday on retirement, was the guest of honour at an informal dinner at the Police Recreation Club last night.

Hon. Mr. E. D. C Wolfe, I.G.P., presided, others present including Mr. T. H. King, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. J. A. Fraser, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Mr. F. H. Loseby, Mr. J. C. Fitzhenry, and Inspector F. E. E. Booker (Chairman of the Club.)

Mr. Wolfe said Inspector Reynolds, was leaving after 23 years' arduous service with the Police. It was hard, he said to part with him at this time as he was an extremely capable officer and the Force would be sorry to lose him.

Serving in the Force until 1915, C.D.I. Reynolds left to join up in the war and came back to Hongkong in 1919 unscathed and accompanied by a wife. He joined the C.I.D. in 1923 and since then had won several medals and special commendations. Apart from Police duties, C.D.I. Reynolds was "one of the best," and was well-liked in the Force (Applause). As a mark of their esteem, the members of the Police Recreation Club had presented him with a radio gramophone.

The health of the guest was then drunk with musical honours.

In reply, C.D.I. Reynolds thanked the gathering and Mr. Wolfe for his flattering remarks. Whatever he had done during the time he was in the Force was made possible only through the co-operation of the men on the staff. He had received every possible aid from them; he had sought their advice and it was always forthcoming. He had also to thank the co-operation of the Chinese staff, whose work, he said, was not always fully appreciated.

The speaker concluded by drinking to the health of all those present.

In a witty speech, Inspector Shaftain welcomed the guests of the evening, while Mr. Wynne-Jones suitably replied.

Inspector William Shannon, of the Criminal Intelligence Department at Police Headquarters, has been promoted to the rank of Acting Chief Detective Inspector, in succession to Mr. A. N. Reynolds.

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Hongkong, 8th April, 1932.

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H. MORI,
Manager

Hongkong, 17th September, 1932.

NOTICE.

Re Amalgamation of
The Chinese Commercial Bank Ltd.
The Ho Hong Bank, Limited and
The Oversea-Chinese Bank Ltd.

We beg to announce that in accordance with the scheme of amalgamation of the abovenamed Banks, a new Company has been incorporated in Singapore under the name of the "OVERSEA-CHINESE BANKING CORPORATION LIMITED," having its Head Office at China Building, Chulia Street, Singapore, and this Company has agreed to take over all our Assets and Liabilities as on the 1st January, 1933.

In order to facilitate the transfer of the customers' accounts to the new Bank we have recently issued letters to all customers requesting them to authorise such transfers on the 1st January, 1933, and it is hoped that every one of our customers will fill in and complete the documents sent out with the letters and return them to us at their earliest convenience. Customers may continue to make use of all cheque books issued by us in their accounts with the new Bank on or after the 1st January, 1933.

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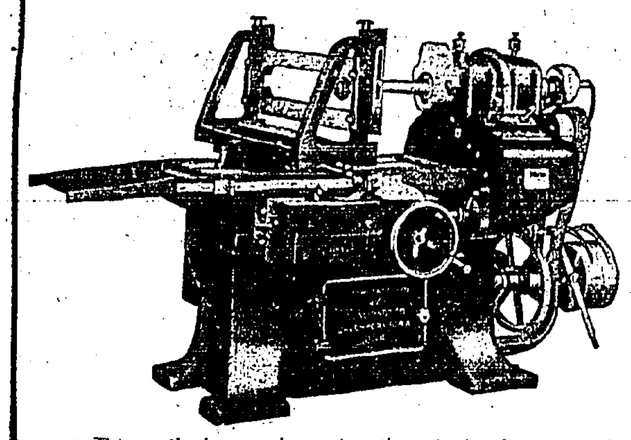

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S. P. C. ANNUAL MEETING

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"Inestimable good work could be done for the youth of this Colony, if the importance of infant welfare could be brought home to the proprietors of our factories and workshops. Special accommodation for the small children of the labourers during working hours would undoubtedly save many lives and alleviate much suffering."

These words were used by Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton yesterday afternoon at the annual meeting of the Society for the Protection of Children.

The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow presided and seated around him at the presidential table were Hon. Mr. Shenton, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Dr. S. W. Tse'o, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C.

In moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, Sir Shouson Chow said: This report gives a detailed account of the Society's work during the past year and it therefore does not seem necessary for me to do more than speak briefly on some aspects of the Society's work.

In the first place I feel that I should express the Society's thanks to all those whose generous support has enabled it to carry on its work.

Financial Position.

The financial position of the Society has at times during the year given the Executive Committee cause for anxiety, and the Society did in fact end its financial year with a deficit of over $4,000.00 on the year's working. However, we have received since the end of the financial year, three very substantial contributions which have more than wiped out the deficiency. I refer to a gift of over $600 from the Hongkong University Arts Association, $5,000 from the directors of the Tung Wah Hospital as part of the proceeds of theatrical performances held at the Ko Shing Theatre and a sum of $3,340, realized by the dance held at the Hotel Cecil.

Though the Society may at times feel that its income is precarious and that there is no certainty of being able to meet the year's expenditure, one cannot help feeling that the public of the Colony must realize the importance of the Society's work and will not turn a deaf ear to the needs of suffering children.

In the second place I wish to thank the honorary officers of the Society upon whose gratuitous services the organization of the Society's work depends.

It is an interesting fact that the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee and all three of the Branch Honorary Secretaries are members of the legal profession, which seems to indicate that lawyers are not quite the hard-hearted persons they are generally believed to be.

And finally, I wish to pay a public tribute to the work of the Society's Inspectors without whom nothing could be achieved. Few people can realize the strain entailed by making the hundreds of supervision visits which are necessary if the Society's work is to be effective.

Work Extending.

You will have noticed in the Report that the Society's work has expanded greatly during the year and that it dealt with 881 fresh cases as compared with 393 in the previous year.

We have now three branches: one for Western Hongkong, one for Eastern Hongkong and one for Kowloon.

The branches for Eastern Hongkong and Kowloon were only started just before the beginning of the year but they have nevertheless dealt with 224 and 274 cases respectively.

So large a district as that covered by the Kowloon branch is really much too big for a single Inspector to cope with but the lack of funds prevents the Society from sub-dividing this district.

I do not think that anyone who has considered the facts stated in the Annual Report can for one moment doubt the need for the existence of the Society or the need for expansion of its work, and I would take this opportunity of appealing to the public in general to give more financial support to the Society in order that the very necessary expansion may be effected. It is pleasant to obtain substantial sums from theatrical performances and the like but an income from such sources is very precarious and there is a most urgent need for a sure revenue from annual subscribers.

The year has, in a sense, been a red letter year in matters concerning child welfare. One may say that the Society has for the first time had an organization sufficiently large to cope with the more urgent needs of the children—very necessary legislation namely, the Juvenile Offenders' Ordinance, the Industrial and Reformatory Schools' Ordinance and a new Factories and Workshops' Ordinance, have been placed on the Statute Book—and most important of all, the Government has established, in Lockhart Road the first official Infant Welfare Centre.

Welfare Centre.

The Welfare Centre was established only seven months ago, but in that seven months there were three thousand six hundred and forty-six attendances. No stronger evidence could be required that parents are most anxious to avail themselves of all facilities provided for obtaining treatment and advice for the benefit of their children.

The infantile mortality rate among the children of the poor is terribly high. Probably not more than fifty out of every hundred children born survive the first year. The causes are over crowding, lack of sufficient and proper food, and ignorance in matters of hygiene and care of children.

The Society is doing its utmost to ensure that every child receives sufficient and proper food and medical attention, and Welfare Centres are the surest means of educating in matters of hygiene and care of children. It is hoped that when the Government sees the success of the Lockhart Road Centre it will proceed to establish further Centres in Western Hongkong and in Kowloon. One may hope that by this means there may be effected a substantial reduction in the infantile mortality rate.

Overcrowding Problem.

The problem of over-crowding is one which cannot well be dealt with by private enterprise or by any charitable organization, and it is hoped that during the coming year the Government may give serious consideration to the question of dealing with the older and more congested parts of the Colony. The fight against disease, and particularly against tuberculosis, is well nigh hopeless while the present conditions of overcrowding continue. This is a matter which concerns not only the poor but also the whole community—because congested slums are the breeding places of disease and thus endanger everybody.

I now move that the report and accounts for the past year be adopted, and in calling upon the Honourable Mr. Shenton to second this motion, I desire to express my thanks to him for his services as Chairman of the Executive Committee during the past year. Mr. Shenton is a very busy man but despite heavy claims on his time he has been unfailing in his attention at the meetings of the committee. (Applause).

Mr. Shenton's Speech.

In seconding the motion, Mr. Shenton said: It is my privilege to-day to second the report and accounts. It is somewhat invidious for me, the Chairman of the Executive Committee, to assume this role, but as so much of the real work has been done by our honorary secretaries our honorary branch secretaries, I have little diffidence in doing so.

The year under review has been an interesting one because of the all round increase of our field of operations and by reason of the advance made by the Government of this Colony in the realm of infant welfare legislation. We hope soon to see the Juvenile Court sitting and special accommodation for young offenders whilst on remand. The new factory legislation is a step in the right direction and, if judicially enforced, must bring relief to many women and young girls.

We are much indebted to the St. Louis Industrial School and the Street Boys' Club for the assistance we have received and the good work they are doing and we look forward to welcoming the Silesian Fathers and their laudable effort in the interests of the youth of this Colony.

Work of Sisters.

Much good works is being done by the Hospital and Clinic of the Chinese Sisters at Shamshuipo and it has been one of our objects to assist them with medical stores and milk foods.

The opening of the Government Welfare Clinic in Lockhart Road is a step in the right direction and we hope to see, before long, similar clinics in other parts of Victoria and at Kowloon. The use that is already being made of this institution clearly indicates its necessity, and the appreciation it has met with by the poor people.

Inestimable good work could be done for the youth of this Colony if the importance of infant welfare could be brought home to the proprietors of our factories and workshops. Special accommodation for the small children of the labourers during working hours would undoubtedly save many lives and alleviate

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"WEEK-END MURDER"

(Continued from Page 8).

a face turned toward her. Cousin Amos! A step forward, and she was kneeling beside him, tremblingly smoothing that drawn, —threw—" She was sure she had caught that last faint gasp. Someone had been there—he had not fallen—!

Instantly she was on her feet. Grief and fury banished any thought of fear. She mustn't stay here—she couldn't help Cousin Amos now—or ever—except by finding who was up there. She was flashing through the central hall, a quick streak of crimson jersey and tanned flesh. Up the stairs—no attempt now to hide her flying steps. His door was exactly as she had left it, barely ajar. No one had come out! She pushed it open and went in.

A silent, empty room. Straight through Linda went, her mind on one thing only, toward the open casement. She glimpsed the green lawn and beyond the blue water of the Sound. She even noticed, subconsciously, that Tom had turned back and was almost to the float. But nearest of all she saw a broken, torn railing, the top bar wrenched apart, the narrow, graceful spindles careening drunkenly in every direction. She did not know whom she expected to see but there was no one on the balcony. The shock of it brought her to a rigid stop. She came to herself—she must go back, call Tom.

She started to turn and in that second caught a dark blur moving behind her. Linda had never consciously screamed. Now she could not—yet her throat constricted and her mouth opened in silent, awful pantomime which would have been a scream had breath been there to release it.

A cloth thrown around her neck from behind prevented the sound and, twisted tightly, prevented also her turning head or body to see her assailant. She jerked forward, clutching at the air. As she flung back her head, gasping for breath, she had a vague impression of seeing Tom, miles away, climbing on to the raft. Then water, air and land blurred and darkened and seemed to rush blackly at her with a horrible, dizzy roar. Suddenly, as the roaring grew unbearable, the tension was broken. Air came back to the gasping lungs—yet not quite in time. She swayed, unconscious, on her feet and pitched heavily forward into abysmal blackness.

(To be continued.)

FIGURES TALK

EXPENDITURE LESS AND HIGHER RECEIPTS

London, Dec. 28.

Revenue returns last night show that with one week still to run to complete the first nine months of the financial year, expenditure, excluding self-balancing items is £9,028,971 less, and revenue £13,946,000 more than for the corresponding period of last year.

Newspapers regard the return as indicating a good outlook for the Budget. Income tax has so far produced £64,541,000, but the bulk of the tax will be collected during the next three months and a sum of nearly £200,000,000 falls due for payment in January.

The Higher revenue is largely due to an increase of £27,000,000 in Customs receipts, while receipts from estate duties show an increase of £3,000,000. There has been a fall in income tax receipts of £7,562,000 and in surtax receipts by £6,180,000.

The principal cause of the decline in expenditure was a saving of £19,120,767 in interest and the management of the National debt, which results from the Government's successful conversion operations. Payment to America of the debt instalment on December 15 was not provided for in the Budget. It is offset by decreases in sinking fund and will not be added to the expenditure account.—*British Wireless.*

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COMPARISON

Mortgage Department, 1930-1931

Year	Amount	Market Value of Property	% Value Loaned	Average Interest Rate	Average Commission %	Excess Interest over 8%	Amount Commission Earned
1930	10,052,040	$18,662,000	54%	9.18%	1.215%	$118,614	$122,316
1931	19,194,867	34,075,565	56%	9.33%	0.765%	255,291	146,825
						$373,905	$269,141
							373,905
							$643,046

Earned above 8% paid to Debenture holders— $643,046

Of the above mortgages, there was assigned to investors:

1930 ..... $ 6,532,660.00
1931 ..... $13,223,545.00

A lower rate of commission existed in 1931 due to cheap money for the greater part of the year; from September, money commenced to tighten up. As it is we earned 1.33% interest in excess of 8% paid on our Debentures, in addition to $146,825 commissions. From the above it will be seen that our 8% Debentures are secured by first mortgages on 56.4% of value and backed up with $5,000,000 capital.

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The Company are Realtors, not speculators in Real Estate.

The balance sheet as of December 31, 1931 shows:—

Assets	$12,341,726.31
Land and Buildings at cost	3,351,055.84
Cash	1,844,259.11
Mortgages on Real Estate held by Company December 31, 1931	$5,971,200
Total Debenture Issue December 31, 1931	4,840,700

by which it will be noted that all of the proceeds from Debentures are invested in Mortgages and $1,131,500 of the Company's capital.

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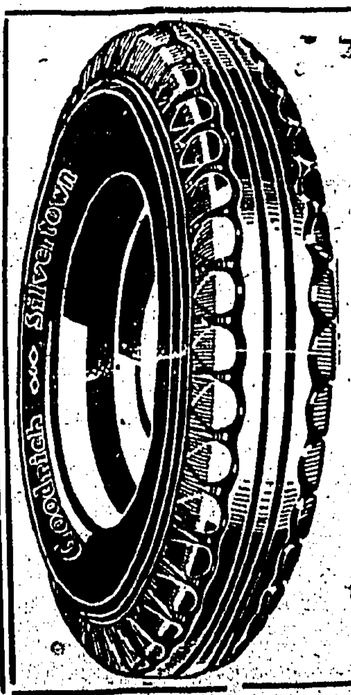

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S.P.C. ANNUAL MEETING

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much suffering. I believe it only requires a little propaganda in this direction to accomplish a great deal.

General unemployment will, I feel certain, cause us great concern in the coming year and some manner of Government organised relief will possibly be called for. What form it should take is a matter for Government enquiry and careful consideration.

Turning now to the accounts for a few moments. They are satisfactory so far as they go, but if we are to meet the increasing demand that we find on all sides we shall require many more subscribers and a lot more donations. The Government have come forward with a generous offer on a dollar for a dollar basis and it behoves the community to take up the challenge and meet it in the spirit in which it was made.

Appreciation.

In conclusion, as I shall shortly be relinquishing the chairmanship of the Executive Committee, I should like to take this opportunity of thanking all the officers of our society for the useful and hard work which they have given us and the beneficial services they have rendered to the community. An appreciation of the work done by our honorary secretary Mr. Hazelrigg is well stated at the end of our report and to this expression of our feelings I should like to add the names of the other members of our honorary secretarial staff, our honorary treasurers, our honorary auditors and our inspectors.

I should also like to thank the members of the Executive Committee for their advice and assistance and, the members of the medical profession for the large amount of voluntary medical work they have done for the society.

Lastly, to all those who are interested in the lives of the little children of this Colony, I commend to their careful perusal, our report for the year and particularly the specimen cases.

The motion was carried.

Election of Officers.

On the motion of the Hon. Dr. Ts'o, the following office-bearers for the forthcoming year were elected: President, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow; vice-Presidents, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, O.B.E., honorary vice-Presidents, Sir Cecil Clementi, G.C.M.G., Mr. Wai Shiu-pak, Miss G. A. Stephens; general committee, Chevalier J. M. Alves, Mr. A. el Arculli, the Rev. L. Banchio, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. J. D. Bush, Mr. Chan Heung-pak, Mr. Chan Lim-pak, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Dr. A. L. Dovey, Mr. V. M. Grayburn, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., Mr. Ho Kwong, Father D. Hourigan, Mr. Ho Sing-chau, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. Hung Hing-kam, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Dr. E. W. Kirk, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., Mrs. Kotewall, Mr. Kwok Siu-lau, Mr. Leung Pat-yu, Mr. Li Hoi-tung, Mr. Li Jowson, Mr. Li Yau-Tsun, C.B.E., Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. F. H. Loseby, Dr. A. McElney, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Dr. E. M. Minett, Mr. Mok Kon-sang, Mrs. Fred Mow-fung, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mr. Ng Wah, Dr. Phoon Seck-wah, Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Lady Pollock, Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mr. T. H. R. Shaw, Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Miss Shin Tak-hing, Rev. Dean Swann, Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, Mr. Tam Woon-tong, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. Tong Yat-chuen, Mr. Tse Ka-po, Hon. Dr. S. W. Ts'o, O.B.E., Mrs. S. W. Ts'o, Rev. R. H. Wells, O.B.E., Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. Wong Mau-lam, Mr. Wong Tak-kwong, Miss Foon-yee Catherine Woo, M.B.E.; executive committee, Chevalier J. M. Alves, Mr. A. el Arculli, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mrs. Blair, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Dr. A. L. J. Dovey, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., Mr. Ho Kwong, Mrs. C. E. Holmes, Father D. Hourigan, Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Dr. L. O. Hunter, Mr. Ip Fai-sui, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Dr. E. W. Kirk, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, Mr. Lam Yam-chuen, Dr. Li Shu-fan, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, C.B.E., Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. G. P. de Martin, M.B.E., Dr. A. McElney, Mr. J. L. McPherson, Dr. E. M. Minett, Mrs. Fred Mow-fung, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mrs. A. Nicholls, Dr. Phoon Seck Wah, The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Lady Pollock, Mr. J. T. Prior, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mrs. Shenton, Miss Shin Tak-hing, Mr. Tam Shau-hong, Mr. Tam Woon-tong, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Mr. Tong Yat-chuen, Miss Watts, Mr. J. M. Wong, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin.

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The offices of Chairman and vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee will be filled at the first committee meeting.

Tribute to Secretary.

"There is a recommendation I should like to make to the incoming committee" said Mr. Shenton. "Our honorary secretary, Mr. Hazlerigg was not only one of the de facto founders of our Society, but has been its mainspring ever since. I consider that the duties he performs call for a more imposing title than honorary secretary. In England, the officer holding a similar post in the Society which has the same objects as ours is called the Director and I suggest that a similar office should be created for Mr. Hazlerigg. (Applause.)

"I have pleasure in supporting the recommendation," said Mr. Kotewall. "As a past Chairman of the Executive Committee, I know how valuable have been Mr. Hazlerigg's services to the Society. Indeed, it is no exaggeration to say that he is the life and soul of the Society, and that to him more than to any other member is due the credit of the good work the Society has done, and the wonderful progress it has made. It would therefore be but fitting that he should be given a status more commensurate with the duties and responsibilities entrusted to him by the Committee."

The chairman put the recommendation in the form of a motion to the meeting and it was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. Chau Thanked.

Mr. Hazlerigg thanked the meeting for the honour it had done him. It was his intention to pass much of the detailed work on to the secretaries, leaving him to superintend affairs generally. He thanked Mr. Chau for his co-operation during the time they had worked together as joint secretaries.

Mr. Hazlerigg paid a tribute to the work of Sir Shouson Chow, the Society's first and only President. Each year he said, Sir Shouson Chow in his modesty asked to be allowed to resign, but members unanimously rejected his offer. His assistance and advice had always been invaluable.

LOCAL WEDDING.

MISS DORIS PUNCHEON WEDS MR. ROBERT MILLAR

A pretty wedding was solemnised in St. Andrew's Church yesterday afternoon, the Rev. Walton Rogers officiating, when Miss Doris Puncheon, daughter of Mr. J. Puncheon and the late Mrs. Puncheon, was married to Mr. Robert Millar, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Millar, of "Sanghree", Rosewell, Midlothian, Scotland.

The bride arrived in church in a beautiful early Victorian gown of ivory blonde lace and net in floral design, her only ornament being a cameo brooch. She also wore a Victorian coronet of orange blossoms from which fell a handsome veil of Brussels net in oval design, daintily embroidered. The bridal gown was created by "Eunice".

Miss Puncheon was given away by her father, and was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Winifred Henderson and Miss Elsa Bell, who were dressed respectively in love-in-the-mist blue, and blush pink, embroidered organdie dresses.

Miss Joyce Crookdake was the flower girl, and wore an eau de nil organdie dress.

The matron of honour, Mrs. R. J. Goodman, was becomingly attired in an eau de nil angel skin lace dress, trimmed with French grey fox fur, with a hat to tone.

Mr. Leslie Calcraft fulfilled the duties of best man, while Mr. Rupert Baldwin presided at the organ.

The happy couple will be spending their honeymoon at Fanling and Tsingtau. The bride's going-away dress was of brown and beige ensemble, with hat to match.

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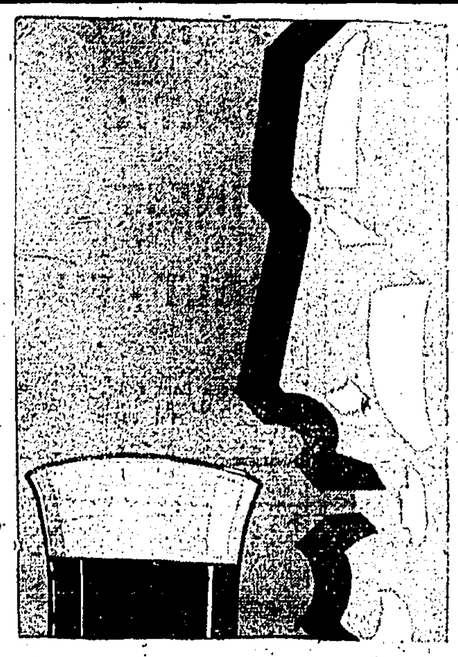

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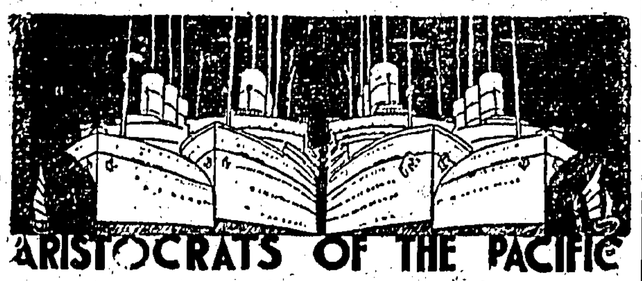

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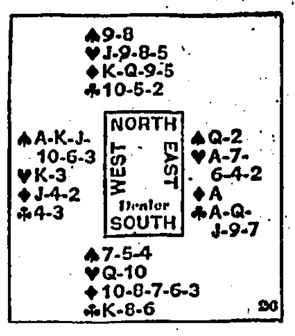

The Bidding.

South passed and West opened with one spade. While the hand contains only 2½ high card tricks, the six-card suit and the honours probably justify the bid.

North passed, and East bid three hearts, a game-demand force, and a strong slam invitation. West bid three spades, a sign-off bid, showing a suit of at least five cards, but no additional strength.

East now bid four clubs, a highly constructive bid, still urging West to proceed toward a slam if possible. West again denied any desire to continue, and bid four spades, a very strong sign off.

However, East now could count his partner for five or six spades headed by the ace-king, plus a king on the side, and short hearts and clubs, so he bid six spades in spite of West's warnings.

The Play.

North opened the king of diamonds and dummy won with the ace.

Declarer can insure his contract by taking the club finesse early, but must give up a possible extra trick, if South holds the club king. The extra trick is extremely important at duplicate play, and by careful timing of entries, the declarer can make it without the club finesse.

He led a small heart to his king at the second trick, and ruffed a diamond in dummy. He then led the ace and a small heart, ruffing with the three of spades.

The last diamond was ruffed in dummy, and another heart returned to be ruffed with the six of spades.

Now East drew all the trumps and dummy's established seven of hearts afforded a discard for the losing club.

By taking his tricks in exactly the right order, declarer made his small slam contract and an extra trick, winning a top on the deal.

Nanking, Dec. 28.

The Ministry of Industry has issued a notification to-day requiring all companies and limited liability corporations established according to Chinese company law, to register before the end o. June next year.—*Reuter.*

CINEMA SCREENINGS

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES

Hilarious antics . . . high-speed action . . . and a bevy of beautiful chorus girls provide excellent entertainment in "Speak Easily," Buster Keaton and Jimmy "Schnozzle" Durante's new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer comedy wich is playing from Sunday at the Queen's Theatre. The two comedians, sent the audience into screams of laughter at their mad-cap antics during a wild theatrical venture in New York City. Keaton portrays the millionaire college professor who finances the show and Durante is Jimmy, the eccentric piano player who is his companion through the venture. The two comedians are assisted in their antics by Ruth Selwyn, sparkling in the feminine lead as Pansy Peets, small-time chorus girl, and Thelma Todd, who exercises her alluring blonde wiles on Buster and "Schnozzle" with devastating effects. Hedda Hopper scores in a "mama" role as Mrs. Peets, jealous guardian of Pansy, and Lawrence Grant is convincing as Dr. Bolton. The balance of the cast who capably fill their roles includes Sidney Toler as the stage manager, Henry Armetta as Tony, the acrobat, William Pawley and Edward Brophy, Edward Sedgwick demonstrated his years of experience with screen comedy in such productions as "Doughboys" and "The Passionate Plumber" by deftly blending all of the situations to obtain the funniest farce he has ever directed.

"While Paris Sleeps"

"See Paris and die", might well have been written "See Paris and live excitingly", if the stirring events pictured in "While Paris Sleeps," Fox melodrama soon opening at the King's Theatre, are true. Victor McLaglen, in the featured role, deserts for the first time his uniformed or heavy-lover characterisations to depict the devoted father of an innocent young girl thrown alone on the streets of Paris. Helen Mack red-headed debutante star of the current season, who enacts the daughter, gives an outstanding performance as her first featured contribution under the Fox banner. Thrills of both a visual and physical nature abound in the swift-moving drama which is told with the utmost realism. William Bakewell, prominent young juvenile, is seen as the heroic young lover of Miss Mack in the tender romance that motivates the story. Others of the supporting cast are Jack LaRue, Rita Lafoy, Maurice Black, Dot Farley, Lucille LaVerne and Paul Porcasi. Basil Woon wrote the original story which was transferred to the screen under the direction of Allan Dwan.

"Bring 'Em Back Alive"

There is one question which Frank Buck, noted collector and leader of the "Bring 'Em Back Alive" expedition, has had to answer so many times that he can always tell when it is coming. The question is: Will animals attack a human being without provocation? Mr. Buck has boiled his answer down to one word: Yes. In the twenty years of bringing jungle animals back alive which qualified Mr. Buck to lead the expedition which filmed the beasts in their native habitat, for RKO RADIO release, he has learned several cardinal points about animals. One is that it is foolish to generalize about animals. It is just as foolish to say that all elephants are kind as it is to say that all Scotsmen are thrifty. Some elephants—"rogues" they are called—cannot be equalled for savagery. As a class, elephants are tractable; but to say that they are all playful, friendly beasts, is ridiculous, according to Mr. Buck. By the same token it cannot be said that every tiger is a man-eater. As a matter of fact, man-eating tigers are perverts; either they have been made insane by some accident, or at some time in their history their food supply was cut off and they seized a toddling infant. Once a tiger has tasted human flesh, he never again is highly pleased with anything else. All this is not to say that a tiger will not kill a man when aroused. He will. But he does not seek human flesh until after he has tasted it. Indeed, the tiger like most other jungle animals, detests the human scent. Frank Buck has filmed some amazing scenes in "Bring 'Em Back Alive" which is now playing to capacity houses at the Central Theatre. It is the most amazing film ever made.

"The Unholy Garden"

An unshaven and dishevelled Ronald Colman, without his striped trousers, his Oxonian speech or his Chesterfieldian manners, is the not inconsiderable promise in "The Unholy Garden", the new Samuel Goldwyn picture which comes to the King's Theatre on Sunday next. In this adventure melodrama by Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur, Colman is seen as Barry Hunt, a gentleman adventurer, a rogue who has seen better days and honester ways. With a motley crew of murderers, thieves and other outcasts, he is hiding from the police in a Sahara outpost camp. One of the number, a wizened old Frenchman, is believed to have hidden his plunder somewhere upon the premises, and to worm this information from him is the individual and collective effort of the group. Spying and intrigue and flying desert rides and murders are essential ingredients of the yarn. Another flower has bloomed in Ronald Colman's garden of leading women. This time it is Fay Wray.

NEW PARTY FOR IRELAND.

INDEPENDENT MEMBERS' SUGGESTION

Dublin, Dec. 28.

Senator Vincent, Independent, in a letter to the principal newspapers declaring his hostility against Mr. de Valera, adds that the time has come when a new party should be formed embracing all the non-Republican elements. Mr. Vincent points out that Mr. Cosgrave's supporters have astounding achievements to their credit but are no longer capable of living in entity, while the Farmers Party has life and virility and is likely to win 20 to 30 seats at the next election.

A really national party ought to be formed, dissipating the old class and religious differences and generating a spirit of optimism and endeavour, he says, and therefore suggests that Mr. Cosgrave and Mr. MacDermott, the Farmers' leader, coalesce to give a real lead to the country.—*Reuter.*

CROWN LAND SALE.

GOOD PRICES OBTAINED AT AUCTION

Three lots of Crown land were put up for auction at the P. W .D. office yesterday.

One lot of about 3,744 square feet of land situated at Yaumati was bought by Mr. Tai Yan-cheung, No. 52, Village Road, for $21,200, the upset price being $18,720.

Another lot of about 3,030 square feet of land situated at Wong Nei Chung was bought by Mr. Tai Tung-pui, of the Bank of Canton, for $17,100, the upset price being $12,120.

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TAKADA	7,000	13th Jan.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
‡SOMALI	6,800	25th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
RAJPUTANA	17,000	27th Jan.	S'hai, Kobe & Yoko
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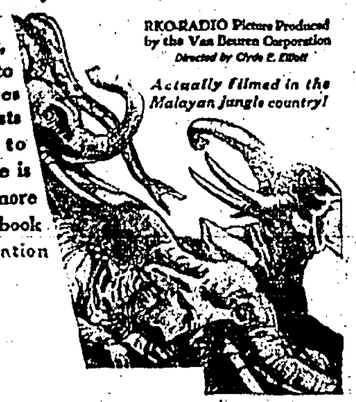

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GOOD CAREER AS DETECTIVE

Detective-Inspector William Shannon, who has been appointed Acting Chief Detective Inspector of the Hongkong Police Force, consequent on the retirement of C.D.I. Reynolds, joined the Police Force in November, 1912. He held the post of acting C.D.I. in October, 1928, and has had considerable experience in detective work.

In November, 1923, Inspector Shannon was commended by the C.S.P. for diligent work during the months of September and October, 1923, in the investigations of the activities of gangs of thieves, who were later either convicted or banished from the Colony.

He was granted the 4th class Police medal in March, 1929, for excellent work while in charge of the Guards Office. In 1929 he was again commended by the C.S.P. for good work in connexion with an armed robbery at 10, Castle Road and later at 24 D'Aguilar Street on March 5.

Perhaps his greatest coup was made in December, 1929, when his good work led to the arrest of four members of a dangerous gang of armed robbers, who had committed four robberies, and the seizure of four loaded revolvers, one loaded automatic pistol and the recovery of property to the value of $352.41.

Inspector Shannon is a native of Rooska Bantry, Cork, Ireland, and speaks Cantonese and Hindustani. He has a brother, Inspector Robert Shannon, also in the Police Force.

FINE TO CLOUDY

Moderate anticyclones are central to the north of Hokkaido and over North China. A depression is passing to the south of Tokyo, moving eastward. Fresh monsoon will continue along the coast of China and over the northern part of the China Sea. Local forecast:—N. to N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; fine to cloudy.

FALSE SCALES CASE

MAGISTRATE GRANTS REHEARING

FINE REMITTED

Following an application from Mr. D. L. Strellett, appearing for the Hung Cheong compradore's shop at No. 66, Nathan Road, Kowloon, recently fined $100 for the possession for use of a pair of Chinese hand scales said to operate at 4 per cent. against the customer, Mr. W. Schofield at the, Central Police Court this morning, re-opened the case, in admitting a plea of "Not guilty."

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, prosecuting, said the shop was one of three leading compradores' firms at Kowloon dealing with a large number of European customers.

He described the interior arrangements, and said that at a visit to the shop on December 6, Inspector R.H.E. Marks found the pair of scales in question, this after he had made an inspection of two European pairs of scales, the only others apparently in use, and found these to be correct.

DEFENDANT THE SUFFERER.

After Inspector Marks had given evidence, Mr. Strellett called a number of witnesses from the shop, including the manager and the proprietor; and in substantiation of the evidence they gave, submitted that the shop only dealt with pounds and ounces in its business with Europeans, and that the Chinese scales were used only by the proprietor to check provisions which he purchased for the consumption of the employees. If anybody had been defrauded, Mr. Strellett said, it was the unfortunate defendant himself.

Mr. Strellett argued that "possession for use" had not been proved.

In giving his decision, Mr. Schofield said he thought the conviction must be registered on the ground of the possession of the scales, but, on the other hand, he was satisfied with the evidence of the defence, that the persons who suffered by the false nature of the scales were the defendant and his folks.

NO FRAUD ON PUBLIC.

His Worship did not think the scales were used to defraud the public, in spite of the fact that he wholly believed the Inspector's story, that the scales were found inside the shop; they might have been there in a casual way.

A conviction must be registered, and the scales confiscated without any further penalty. The $100 fine previously paid by the defendant would be returned to him.

AIDING STRICKEN PEOPLES

NEW CONVENTION IN FORCE

London, Dec. 28.

Twenty-seven countries have so far acceded to the Convention creating the International Relief Union.

Its object is to provide relief in money and kind and to co-ordinate relief works in respect of public misfortunes due to exceptional circumstances, the gravity of which exceeds the limits of the powers or resources of stricken people.

The Convention came into operation at Geneva yesterday. For its principal resources the Union will depend on donations, bequests and public contributions, with an initial fund of 420,000 Swiss francs contributed by States members.—*British Wireless.*

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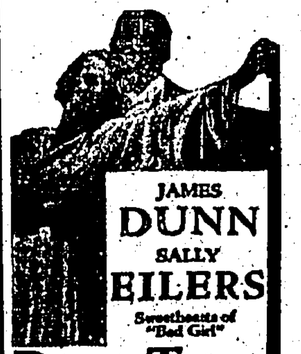

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The judge also ordered Harpell to enter a bond to keep the peace for six months under a guarantee of a thousand dollars. If the bond in not forthcoming a further six months imprisonment will be added to the sentence. Harpell is to bear the cost of the prosecution.

In giving his sentence the judge said: "Not a scintilla of truth was produced to substantiate Harpell's atrocious libel."

Notice of appeal has been given.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

The alleged libel was that Mr. Macaulay was charged with having involved the Sun Life Company in the Insull crash.

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